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BRITISH
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FEATS

A large south-bound liner has been torpedoed and almost certainly sunk by one of our submarines off the coast of Italy, states an Admiralty communique issued in London last night.

This ship, the communique reveals, was possibly the "Duilio," 23,636 tons. When attacked she was in company with two other large passenger ships.

Italian liners of this type are known to have been acting as troop transports.

A laden south-bound tanker has been torpedoed and sunk from another enemy convoy off Sicily.

The Italian supply ship "Aquitania," 4,971 tons, in the same convoy was hit by a torpedo and severely damaged.

A SUPPLY SHIP OF ABOUT 8,000 TONS HAS ALSO BEEN TORPEDOED AND SUNK BY ONE OF OUR SUBMARINES IN THE CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN, THE COMMUNIQUE CONCLUDES.—REUTER.

GENERAL
NORTON'S
TRIBUTE

Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, former Acting Governor of Hong Kong and now G.O.C. Western Independent District in Baluchistan, yesterday paid a glowing tribute to the capabilities shown by Indian troops in fighting two first-class European mechanised armies.

Lt.-Gen. Norton, who was speaking to a Reuter correspondent, said that although starting late with preparation for war, Indian troops had adapted themselves to the use of modern weapons of warfare in a short time, and their achievements in Abyssinia and Libya were indicative of their high standard of training and fighting qualities.

Referring to the Empire's war effort and the tremendous strides made in the direction of supply and production of armaments, Lt.-Gen. Norton said:

"We as an Empire count on the steady power which is one of our greatest assets and which has never failed us."

"Our policy has never been aggressive and however slow our start in the war we are confident of the ultimate outcome. We are fully prepared for any eventualities that might occur." — Reuter.

FAR EASTERN
LINER SUNK
IN ATLANTIC

The Danish ship, Malaya, 8,654 tons, has been sunk in the Atlantic says a Copenhagen telegram, according to a Rome message.

The captain and 23 members of the crew, all Danes, perished. — Reuter.

Owned by the East Asiatic Co., the Malaya was well-known in the Far East.

Gurkhas
Arrive
In S'pore

Some thousand Gurkha troops have arrived in Malaya — the first Gurkhas ever to come to assist the defence of this area.

Part of the reinforcements reported three days ago they were trained on the rugged North-West Frontier of India and are described as ideally suited for operations in Malaya.

Adepts at modern mechanised warfare, the Gurkhas nevertheless are famed for their prowess with the kukri (curved knife) in the campaigns of 1914/18.

A famous Scottish Yeomanry regiment (artillery) has also arrived in Malaya after undergoing special training in India. — Reuter.

CYPRUS
DEFENCES
STRONGER

GENERAL SIR CLAUDE AUCHINCLOSS, C.-in-C. MIDDLE EAST, HAS RETURNED TO CAIRO AFTER A SIX-DAY AIR TOUR OF INSPECTION OF PALESTINE, SYRIA AND CYPRUS.

During his tour General Auchincloss met General Catroux, Free French C.-in-C. in the Levant, at Damascus, where he also met General Collet, of the Free French forces, being escorted on entry into the city by a bodyguard of Circassian cavalry which General (then Colonel) Collet brought over to the Allies. The visit to Cyprus lasted two days; General Auchincloss seeing the island's defence which it is now revealed, have been heavily reinforced during the last few weeks. — Reuter.

Bitter Fighting
Near Leningrad:
Odessa Holding

(By "Annalist")

LENINGRAD AND ODESSA, TWO OF THE THREE CITIES IN EAST RUSSIA THE GERMANS ARE STRIVING TO CAPTURE, LEAPT INTO THE EASTERN FRONT BATTLE YESTERDAY. ABOUT THE THIRD CITY, KIEV, THERE IS NO FRESH NEWS BUT FROM THE CENTRAL SECTOR OF THE FRONT, AT THE SOUTHERN END OF WHICH KIEV LIES, COMES A REPORT OF AN IMPORTANT NEW RUSSIAN SUCCESS.

In the region of Bokovo, on the northern section of the central sector, Marshal Timoshenko, according to a supplement to the Soviet midday communique, has routed the 263rd German Infantry Division, which in six days has lost 7,000 officers and men. The remnants of the division retired.

Marshal Timoshenko's counter-attacks are believed to be forcing the Germans to re-concentrate in the central sector, where their southern advance from Gomel above Kiev has been retarded.

The German High Command yesterday asserted that the encirclement of Leningrad, where Marshal Voroshilov is in command assisted by a war council of six, is proceeding and that the town is already under the fire of heavy German artillery.

There is no confirmation of this from Moscow, where Reuter's resident correspondent, after being in telephonic communication with the city, says the Germans are striving to consolidate the position from which to launch their offensives in the direction of the city.

Bitter Fighting

The Germans, however, are being consistently counter-attacked. Very heavy and bitter fighting is known to be in progress.

Odessa, at the other end of the 2,000-mile front, is holding out grimly, and the Rumanians helping the German forces are evidently taking a severe battering.

The local Russian commander, Major-General Voroblet, reports that two more Rumanian infantry divisions, sent into the line to replace three or four divisions destroyed by the end of August, had already been severely handled.

Luftwaffe Foiled

Marshal Budenny is still making thrusts at the western shores of the Dnieper.

Aircraft of the Russian air force and the fleet air arm are fighting back hard to relieve pressure both on Leningrad and Odessa, where there are no signs that the Luftwaffe has established overwhelming air supremacy, although the weight of Nazi air and land attack is clearly severe. The German radio made no mention of the Bokovo victory claimed by the Russians but said

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FAIR FLOP

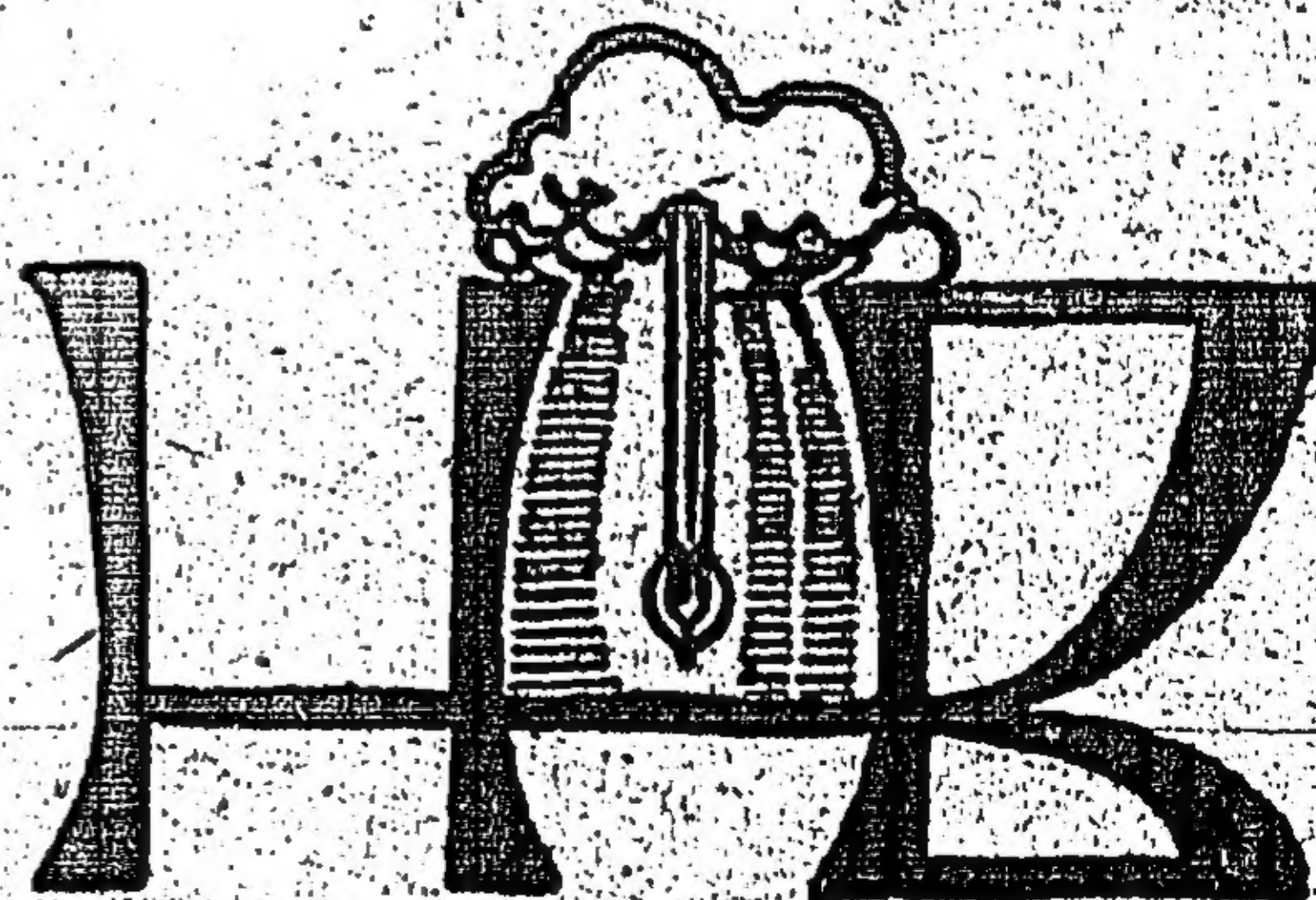
(By Reuter's Correspondent, Somewhere in Europe)
THE QUALITY OF GOODS DISPLAYED AT THE AUTUMN LEIPZIG FAIR SHOWS A GREAT DETERIORATION COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS FAIR HELD IN MARCH, ACCORDING TO SWISS AND OTHER FOREIGN BUYERS.

Although many industries are represented, most of the goods displayed are not for sale, they say. Orders are restricted to a few classes of goods, notably glass, and some kinds of pottery. — Reuter.

fought against the enemy along the whole front.

"According to incomplete data 33 German planes were destroyed on September 3. We lost 27 planes." — Reuter.

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GROWING UNEASINESS REPORTED FROM THAI

Japanese Hints Of "What Is Coming Soon"

THERE IS A GROWING UNEASINESS AMONG THE THAIS OVER THE STEADILY MOUNTING INSTANCES OF JAPANESE NATIONALS GOING ABOUT BANGKOK DROPPING BROAD HINTS AS TO WHAT IS COMING SOON, ACCORDING TO AN UNOFFICIAL THAI VISITOR WHO ARRIVED IN SINGAPORE YESTERDAY.

"The Japanese strut about Bangkok as if they owned the place," he told Reuter. "They visit restaurants, run up heavy bills and then produce Yen notes in payment and when asked to pay in Thai currency turn round and coolly assure the restaurant keepers 'Yen notes will be alright here very soon.'"

The visitor revealed that he personally witnessed at least one incident at Bangkok in which, when Japanese baggage was being put through the Customs an impatient traveller told the examining official:

"Don't trouble yourself so much, you will be saluting me before long instead of annoying me like this."

The visitor emphasised that these were not isolated cases. "Of course, because of our policy of neutrality, our newspapers cannot say all this but these disquieting reports go the round of Thai society and are inevitably most disturbing."—Reuter.

HOLD-UP SHOOTING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") SHANGHAI'S CRIME HAS SWUNG BACK INTO ACTION WITH THE WOUNDING OF CHING FONG-LAI, 67, PROPRIETOR OF A LARGE CHINESE WHOLESALE STORE. Ching was shot by two gunmen

N.Z. FLAX EXPERIMENT

Reports received in London show that a welcome addition to wartime Empire supplies is the remarkable progress in the linen flax industry in New Zealand.

Before the war no linen flax was grown in the Dominion but when the war reduced supplies to Britain from other sources experiments on a large scale were undertaken. So great was the success that the British Government has now undertaken to buy the crop of 25,000 acres, during the war and for one year afterwards at agreed prices.

Six additional factories are to be erected, making a total of 17 in the Dominion. Value of the first year's export was £35,000.—British Wireless.

while riding in a ricksha to the store. The gangsters tried to halt the vehicle, in an effort to steal \$10,000 which Ching was carrying, but the victim ordered the coolie to run faster, whereupon the ruffians opened fire, wounding Ching in the stomach, and escaped.—International News Service.

ANOTHER TEST?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE SOVIET FREIGHTER "PISCHEVAYA INDUSTRIAL" ("FOOD INDUSTRY"), ONE OF FIVE RUSSIAN VESSELS TIED UP IN SHANGHAI FOR REPAIRS SINCE MARCH, IS REPORTED TO BE LEAVING FOR MANILA SHORTLY.

The vessel is expected to load a cargo in the Philippines for Vladivostok.

It is believed another Soviet freighter is due in Shanghai shortly from Vladivostok en route to Manila.—International News Service.

ENEMY DESTROYER SUNK BY FLEET AIR ARM

DURING THE NIGHT of September 3, aircraft from the Fleet Air Arm torpedoed and destroyed an enemy destroyer outside Tripoli Harbour. In addition a large merchant ship was bombed and hit, says yesterday's Middle East Royal Air Force communique.

Other aircraft from the Fleet Air Arm bombed and machine-gunned the Sicilian aerodromes of Gerbini and Catania where two enemy aircraft were set on fire and others damaged.

The communique also says that "a strong force of Italian fighters approached Malta yesterday morning and were intercepted by our fighters which shot down six Macchi 200's, and badly damaged a number of others. Another raiding aircraft was damaged by anti-aircraft fire.

In the afternoon a further force of Macchi 200's was intercepted off the coast of Sicily and three were shot down and others damaged.

Two of our aircraft were lost in this operation.

Cyrenaica.—Bomber aircraft of the South African air force bombed enemy dumps north of Gambut during the night of September 3 and 4, and scored a number of hits.

Yesterday fighter aircraft machine-gunned a German camp near Capuzzo, setting fire to tents and destroying a motor transport.

From these operations, with the exception of the two mentioned above, all our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange yesterday was quietly steady with business restricted by week-end considerations.

Gilt-edged securities were firmer on renewed investment demand, as well as Indian stocks, while Canadian Pacific was a good feature among foreign rails. Amongst the home rails, juniors were easier on profit-taking.

Industrials moved narrowly, apart from continued interest among tobaccos and breweries. Oils were steady while shipping improved, with rubbers firm and Kaifirs supported towards the close of the market.—Reuter.

MARY CHURCHILL A PRIVATE IN THE W.A.T.S.

Mrs. Churchill's youngest daughter, Mary Churchill, who hitherto has been working at a large hospital, this week joined the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service as a private.

Duties of members of this service include driving cars, office work and operating the predictor for A.A. guns.—Reuter.

CRIME OF KINDNESS

The Nazis' policy of punishing Germans for any act of kindness, however trifling, to a Pole is applied also to the treatment of French prisoners.

Two German papers (the "Kasseler Post" and the "Essener Allgemeine Zeitung") have reported cases in which Germans had been sent to prison for four months for giving bread to French prisoners of war; one of the offenders was a German girl of twenty who had sent the bread by her little sister.

A similar case is reported in the official Nazi paper in Prague.

A baron and his daughter were punished, with ten months' imprisonment in one case and two in the other, for breaking the regulation that forbids conversation with prisoners of war.

A wounded prisoner had been given an emergency dressing and breakfast; another who had repaired the electric light had been given a few cigarettes; a third had been lent a book.

It is curious to reflect that Diodorus Siculus, the Greek historian, gave in his account of the famous war between Athens and Syracuse the report of a speech by a leading Syracusan, who had lost his two sons in the war, in which he begged his countrymen to treat the Athenian prisoners with mercy.

We know from Thucydides that the Athenian prisoners were treated very cruelly, and the incident may be fictitious. But Diodorus, writing in the time of Augustus, thought the Sicilians would regard this speech as honourable to their forefathers, whereas the Nazis would think it a disgrace.

RAID ON THE CANAL

High explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in a raid on the Suez Canal area on Thursday night. There were five casualties, two of which were fatal, and some damage was done to property, according to an official communique.

Alarms were also sounded in northern Egypt, including Cairo.—Reuter.

NAZI AGENTS LEAVE EVIDENCE BEHIND


GERMAN AGENTS in the Iranian town of Pekhlivi fled precipitately when they learned of the approach of Russian troops, according to a Soviet correspondent with the Red Army in Iran.

The correspondent says the Nazis left behind important documents, snapshots and movie cameras, steel helmets, Nazi emblems and even cards of membership of the Nazi Party.

Describing the scene on the road to Pekhlivi the correspondent telegraphs: "Now and then we glimpsed among the trees the white walls of luxurious villas standing in sharp contrast against a background of clay huts of the Iranian people."

"These were the summer residences of German agents. The Germans lived in grand style in Iran. They modestly called themselves engineers, mechanics, builders and merchants, but in reality all were acting as spies."

The correspondent alleges that bridges and roads over which the Russian troops passed on the way to Pekhlivi were constructed by German contractors. "These highways led to the Soviet frontiers and were designed for a rapid advance by German troops," he says. Soon after the Red Army men entered Pekhlivi life began to return to normal. Shops opened, policemen were back on their beats in uniform, and Iranian troops in the town and the civilian population made the Soviet troops very welcome.—Reuter.



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ATTACK ON 'GREER'

Roosevelt On "Elimination" Of Axis Submarine

Attack Took Place On American Side Of The Atlantic

THE GREER INCIDENT WAS THE CENTRE OF INTEREST AT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, WHEN THE PRESIDENT, REPLYING TO QUESTIONS ON THE SUBJECT, DID NOT SAY EXACTLY HOW MANY ATTACKS WERE MADE ON THE DESTROYER, WHICH WAS CARRYING MAIL TO ICELAND, BUT SAID THEY OCCURRED DURING DAYLIGHT DEFINITELY ON THE AMERICAN SIDE OF THE OCEAN.

He said that while the Greer was alone at the time of the attack she was clearly marked and carried an identification number and the U.S. flag.

Asked what would be done if the attacker was found, President Roosevelt replied he supposed the U.S. forces would "eliminate" it or try to. The President authorised the direct quotation of the word eliminate and said it was a good one.

He emphasised that good daylight and visibility prevailed during the attack. He did not say whether all the attacks occurred within a relatively short time on Thursday morning or at intervals. The President left little doubt that he approved the action of the Greer's commander in dropping depth charges.

He said it was very fortunate the Greer was not hit and remarked it was beyond his power to say why the submarine's aim was so poor.

No Excuse

He would not disclose whether the submarine's periscope was above water, declaring he could not discuss that.

A reporter asked whether it was possible for the submarine to make a mistake in broad daylight at torpedo distance. The President said he would put the explanation this way: If the submarine had its periscope above the surface there was no excuse for wrong identification.

The President reminded the journalists that most torpedoes were fired by means of visual sight. However, almost all naval vessels, including German and Italian, he added, have listening devices and it is possible to fire at a sound. This method was not nearly as accurate.

A Hypothetical Question

President Roosevelt dismissed as a hypothetical question how he would classify the Greer incident as regards a "shooting war."

Answering an enquiry whether it was possible for a ship to be on the American side of the Atlantic and simultaneously in the belligerent zone proclaimed by Germany, the President said the U.S. had never been notified of the establishment of such a zone.

He added a blockade was never recognised if it was ineffective.

Further questioned whether the Greer behaved according to instructions and policy in dropping depth charges immediately, President Roosevelt suggested there was no information to the contrary.

An Allegory

The President asked his questioner what he would do if attacked.

President Roosevelt himself brought up the Greer incident to open the conference, after whispering for a moment to his naval aide, Captain John Beardsall.

He said the comments by some people in Washington re-

minded him of the father in the allegorical story of some country children going to school.

When an undisclosed person fired at them from the bushes the father took the position that there was nothing to do about it—no reason to search the bushes or take any other steps because the children were not hit.

A reporter asked: "Is any search of the bushes being made?"

Looking Into Matter

THE PRESIDENT REPLIED: "YES, IN OTHER WORDS WE DON'T GO ALONG WITH FATHER. IT MIGHT EVEN BE SAID THAT THE SCHOOL-TEACHER (MEANING THE PRESIDENT) IS LOOKING INTO THE MATTER."

President Roosevelt replied in the negative to a question whether the Greer attack had caused any change of orders to U.S. vessels.

Reminded it was once the practice in case of attack to "go tall pop," the President agreed that was not done any more.

President Roosevelt dismissed a question whether the attack presented any ground for diplomatic action and declined to discuss the approximate location of the attack.—Reuter.

U.S. AID FOR FREE FRENCH

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, indicated yesterday that the United States is at least indirectly aiding the Free French.

"The United States has the friendliest relations in every way with the Free French Government," he said. He assumed that this systematic aid would continue.

Earlier in the week Comdr. George Cabanier announced in San Diego, California, that he had been appointed by General de Gaulle to organise the island defences in Tahiti, the Hibridas and New Caledonia groups. He would receive Lease and Lend equipment from Great Britain, he said.—Reuter.

U.S. NAVY WARNS FURTHER CLASHES CAN BE EXPECTED

UNDER STREAMER headlines such as "Fear of United States shooting war in submarine attack," the American afternoon papers splashed photographs of the Greer and her captain.

Captions were "Warship that fought off submarine," and "Fear of further submarine attack on U.S. ships."

One American agency writes: "It is believed that American warships in the Atlantic have been warned by the Navy Department to be alert to the possibility of further encounters with Axis sea raiders."

The newspaper "PM" devotes all its front page to a leader on the incident headed "Now is the time to stop Hitler."

The paper adds: "Maybe Hitler will come clean and admit it was intended for what it was—an act of war—a shooting war."

Now's The Time

"We do not know but it does not make much difference. What we do know is that if they had not fired the first gun now they would later."

"Now, while the Germans can be licked, is the time to lick them. Now is the time for action and more action and more and more and more."

In an article headed: "U-boat knew ship was ours," Fletcher Pratt, military expert of the "New York Post," declares: "Evidence at hand indicates that the submarine attack on the U.S. destroyer Greer was a deliberate action by the German submarine commander who knew he was attacking an American ship."

Mr. Pratt asserts that in view of the appearance of destroyers of the Greer type "nobody in his right mind could take them for British or anything else but American destroyers."

Public Calm

A cross-section of opinion collected by the "New York Post" from people in various walks of life shows the American public generally is calm and is adopting a "wait and see" attitude.

Some people said there was no proof whose submarine was involved. Others said it must have been a case of mistaken identity.

One man declared it was high time there was an incident to get the U.S. into war as it should have been long ago.—Reuter.

EX-COMMUNIST DEPUTY SHOT DEAD IN PARIS

Marcel Gitton, former Communist deputy for the Seine Department, who was shot at in Paris on Thursday night, died in hospital yesterday afternoon, states a Paris despatch.

Paris radio stated earlier in the day that Gitton was seriously wounded when his assailant fired at him at point-blank range.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC BATTLE GOES WELL

The results of the Battle of the Atlantic during the past two months are viewed with satisfaction in London, says Reuter's naval correspondent.

While in accordance to general practice no figures of U-boat sinkings are being given, it may be said that so far as can be ascertained up-to-date, results for August have been no less satisfactory than were the improved results for July.

These results appear to have been achieved despite the fact that the number of U-boats operating against British shipping has not diminished.

In the meantime, British submarines themselves have been doing magnificent work in the Mediterranean against enemy shipping routes on which the Libyan garrison depends for supplies. Damage to enemy shipping on these routes has been enormous.—Reuter.

AMERICANS LEAVING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Many prominent Shanghai residents head a party of about 115 Americans who are leaving next week for home in a President liner.

The voyagers include Mr. L. R. Schinazi, head of Elzalde, Inc., and Carroll D. Alcott, the radio newscaster. The latter is on holiday and hopes to return to Shanghai in two months.—International News Service.

ATTACK ON 'GREER' CAUSES SENSATION

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, stating in Washington that the U.S.S. Greer was attacked more than once, added that steps have been taken to track down the attacker, which will be eliminated if found.

The story of the attack on the Greer was splashed in all American newspapers under banner headlines.

Some quarters in Washington have been predicting for some time that the Atlantic patrol is now so extensive and ships going to Iceland so numerous that it was difficult to see how an incident with German craft could long be avoided, and that a serious clash might lead anywhere.

The attack on the Greer, however, does not appear likely to lead to a worsening of United States-German relations.

However, there is a belief in Washington that this is probably only the first of an inevitable series of such incidents.

Carrying Out Orders

Congressional opinion so far offered unanimously believed the Greer is nothing to go to war about.

The U.S. Navy is carrying out the orders to defend itself if attacked and this and similar incidents will undoubtedly do much towards unifying American opinion, which alone will give the Administration impetus to further action against the Axis.

British attention was yesterday focused on news from America of the attack.

Sensation In Britain

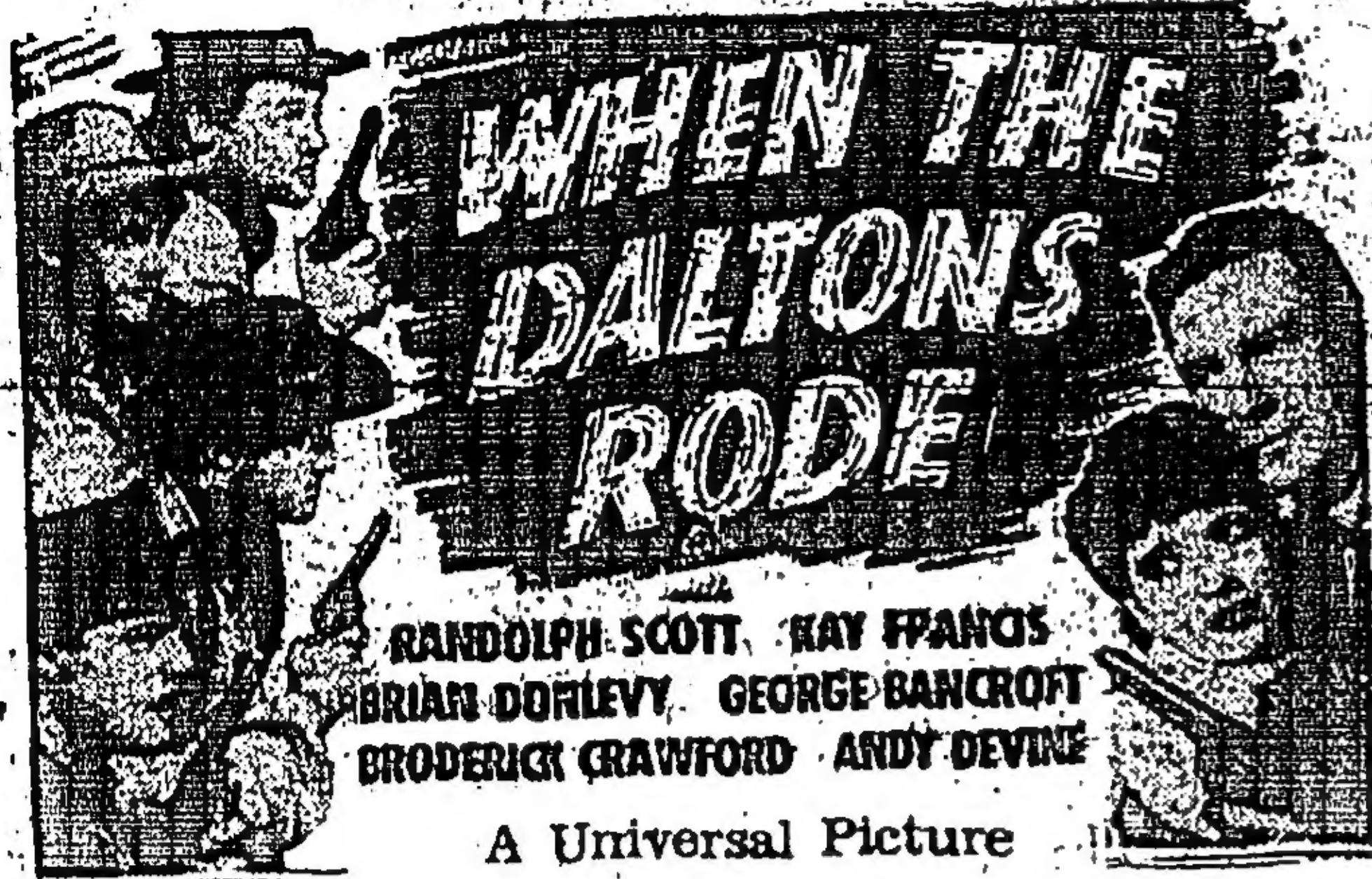
In the afternoon, however, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent stated, official circles in London regarded the matter as purely one between Germany and America and are making no comment.

Among the general public in Britain the attack caused something of a sensation because it has been generally recognised in Britain for some time past that the Germans have tried hard to avoid involving themselves in any kind of incident with the United States, in accordance with Hitler's policy of dealing with only one country at a time.—Reuter.

SIR EARLE PAGE TO GO TO LONDON

It is understood in Canberra that Sir Earle Page, Commonwealth Minister for Commerce, has been chosen to proceed to London to represent the Cabinet in the discussion of specific matters with the British Cabinet.

The visit will be of short duration. It is understood, and Sir Earle Page will retain Cabinet rank.—Reuter.

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M. MAISKY ON THE BUILDING OF A BETTER WORLD

"JUST NOW A VERY dark night has descended upon mankind," said M. Ivan Maisky, Russian Ambassador to London, speaking last night at a meeting held in London in commemoration of the great Indian poet, Rabindranath Tagore.

"In this darkness the gleaming figure of Tagore, personifying the highest form of culture and the highest ideals of humanity, reminds us once more that the murderous jungle which exists to-day will have an end."

Continuing, M. Maisky said, "I am firmly convinced that there will come better times. To bring this about, hundreds of thousands, nay, millions, of my countrymen are now spilling their blood in stubborn, heroic struggles against the mechanised hordes of Hitler."

"But this blood that has flowed, this terrible fighting now going on, will not be in vain. Final victory will be ours, and a better world will be built in the end."

M. Maisky, together with Madame Maisky, was welcomed at the meeting which was held jointly by the India League and National Council of Civil Liberties by the chairman, Edward Thompson, writer and an old friend of Tagore, who said:

"You will want me to say to His Excellency the Ambassador of the Soviet Union, how much we admire the tremendous and majestic chapter his country is writing now in the story of human freedom."

"Rabindranath Tagore would, indeed, have been much moved by the presence of the Ambassador of Russia here to-night."—Reuter.

MONEY'S IN HIS POCKET

Nobby Clarke, bookmaker and antique dealer, of South Norwood, London, is a man with a broken heart—and £100 in £5 notes in his hip pocket.

Almost three weeks ago Nobby's dog disappeared. He has been searching vainly for it ever since. The £100 goes as reward to its finder.

"People think me 'crazy,'" Nobby told the "Daily Mirror." "The dog's a mongrel—not worth a tanner—and as ugly as sin. He is a black devil with white breast and paws and a stupid, stubby tail. His hind quarters are covered with pink warts and he has the terrible name of Pongo."

"But he has been my friend and companion for fourteen years, ever since he was a little pup. I chose him because he was the ugliest of the litter."

"His very ugliness made me love him more. He has gone everywhere with me."

"All the jockeys and grooms know him."

"And now he's gone. He went out for his usual morning walk one day and never returned."

Together, Mr. Clarke and his wife have combed the neighbourhood of their home.

He has printed more than 600 notices bearing the dog's picture and announcing the reward. Errand boys, newsboys, roadmen, postmen, costers and beggars have all been interviewed.

"I have drawn twenty £5 notes from the bank," Mr. Clarke added. "I am carrying them on me for the person who brings me my dog or news that will lead to the successful prosecution of whoever has stolen it."

DIED IN VAIN BID TO SAVE BROTHER

Two brothers, told not to go swimming, but to go to the cinema instead, ignored their mother's warning and were drowned while bathing in a bomb-pitted lagoon near Bognor Regis.

Philip Thomas Hodge, 15, of Hampshire-avenue, Bognor, went into the water sitting astride a rubber tyre and then began to swim.

He was unable to get back and disappeared.

Philip's brother Eric, 13, dived to the rescue, but he was trapped by weeds, and his body was not recovered until the following day. A policeman said at the inquest that the lagoon was a terrific depth in places. Bombs had made steep craters.

Verdict: Accidental death.

ROYAL BLOOD FOR SOMEONE

Princess Juliana of the Netherlands has registered with the Canadian Red Cross Voluntary Blood Donor Service.

RAF WINGS OVER RUSSIA

"It is expected that British planes will soon take the air over Russia," said the Ankara radio announcer yesterday.

The announcer added that while American aid for Russia is planned on a long-term scale Britain intends to give immediate help and British aircraft would probably be flown to Russian territory via Iran. — Reuter.

BISHOP ON HORSEBACK

THE BISHOP OF LICHFIELD SAID RECENTLY THAT OWING TO PETROL SHORTAGE HE WAS EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN HIS EPISCOPAL TRAVELLING IN HIS DIOCESE, WHICH IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST IN THE COUNTRY.

He said he was hoping to do what he could by means of pilgrimages on foot, but if the transport problem got worse he would have to revert to the older methods of episcopal locomotion and take to horseback, which was not altogether uninviting.

Meantime his long legs and love of walking would carry him to a good many parishes.

Until recently the Bishop was a keen follower of hounds in Staffordshire.

Dear, Dear! There's A Weed

SUN-TANNED ALF Blye, keeper of Britain's "perfect allotment," winced. He started back as if he had been struck in the face.

There, standing cheeky among the peas, was a weed. I recognised it at once, for I am an expert in such matters, writes a London reporter.

Alf left my side in a bound. In a trice the life had been choked from that weed.

The allotment, which the Ministry of Agriculture hope will be used as a model by Britain's two million new gardeners resumed its perfect appearance.

And for that I was sorry. It was too perfect; too orderly, too picture-postcardy.

Not a carrot was out of line. Not a bean grew further up the pole than its neighbour. Not an onion had fly.

That one little weed gave just the touch of realism to the whole thing.

Out They Come!

Without it one got the impression that it was all done by mirrors—or something.

But Alf, lifelong gardener, would have none of it.

"Weeds is weeds," he said, "and out they come. Anybody can have an allotment like this if they work to a plan."

While we talked dozens of

average gardeners passed Alf's 80ft. by 30ft. plot in Hyde Park. They gave a cursory glance at the growing vegetables and passed on. But their feet faltered and they looked again.

There was something different about these veg. The beans were 4ft. up the poles. The peas were 4ft. up the sticks. The tomatoes were more than 2ft. high. So different from the veg. in the back garden.

Hates Sparrows

They wandered in to talk to Alf. And Alf was only too willing to help them with their problems.

"But why they always have to come when I am in the middle of a long row of peas, I don't know," he said.

"They pinch every blooming thing," he said. "If I was in the country I'd net the peas and shoot the sparrows. But I can't do that here because I am only demonstrating what the average gardener can do."

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HUMAN "PROP" SAVES ELEVEN

ACTING AS A human pillar, a London air-raid warden stood for four hours supporting a beam which held up tons of debris. His courage and endurance enabled eleven people trapped in wrecked buildings to be rescued.

Warden George William Smith, 6ft. 1½in. tall — his mates call him Lofty — of Stoke Newington Common, N.16, has been awarded the British Empire Medal.

Though gas was escaping for hours he stayed in the one position, at the same time handing out bowls of debris to make space for rescuers.

When Lofty isn't on duty as a warden he's a labourer. He is 31, the father of three children.

Brave Woman Doctor

The George Medal goes to a woman doctor, buried up to her neck in bomb wreckage, who continued to give medical treatment to injured patients and casualties. She is Dr. Alison Jean McNairn, assistant medical officer of Plymouth General Hospital.

She was working in the hospital when it was hit. She refused to have her own injuries

treated until everyone else had been made comfortable. In the same hospital Probationer Nurse Veronica Agnes Clancy helped to find and carry injured children from the wreckage although she was suffering from a severe scalp wound. She gets the British Empire Medal.

Another woman doctor to receive the George Medal is Dr. Hannah Billig of Stepney.

LIFEBOAT FOUND A BULLOCK

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has awarded £9 to each of the crew at Barra Island for going out to what was thought to be an aeroplane in the sea. It was the carcass of a bullock.

MISSED A ROYAL MATINEE

Real life Cinderella is Olivia Ford, pretty blonde London show girl. Olivia was the only one of the cast of "Black Vanities," George Black's £50,000 revue, not to meet the King and Queen and the two princesses.

Four hundred soldiers saw the show with the royal party.

Olivia, convalescent after an appendix operation, returned to work at night—just too late for the Royal Command matinee.

"I am terribly disappointed," she said, "but I do feel I played a little part by lending my stockings to a girl who had used up all her coupons."

Olivia's colleagues are to present her with a picture of the King and Queen.

Princesses Sing

The King asked the girls how they managed about clothing coupons. "It must be very difficult to make your stockings last," he told one of them. "Much more difficult for you girls than us men."

"Our two little girls enjoyed the show just as much as we did." The princesses joined with the soldiers in community singing and roared with laughter.

A cabbage was one of the things the King got in a production number in which Francis Day presents flowers and novelties to her audience.

"The Royal Family shook hands and spoke to everyone in the show," said Bud Flanagan, after his sixth Command performance with his partner, Chesney Allen. "None of the girls knew when we were going, for the management kept it a secret. Ches and I told them we were going to entertain Hess—O!"

The Queen asked Bud about his son, 16, who is also in the show. When told he was determined to join the R.A.F. on his next birthday, the Queen said, "Yes; they all want to do that, don't they?"

HER TEARS COST £1

For stealing roses from the garden of an unoccupied house for his three-and-a-half-year-old daughter Nancy, a fine of £1 was imposed at a West London court on William O'Connor, 35, of Ifield Road, Earl's Court.

Mrs. O'Connor told the reporter: "Nancy has always been passionately fond of flowers, and roses are her favourites. While we were out walking, she asked her father to pick her some. At first my husband refused, but then Nancy began to cry and he gave in."

"The garden was overrun with weeds and grass."

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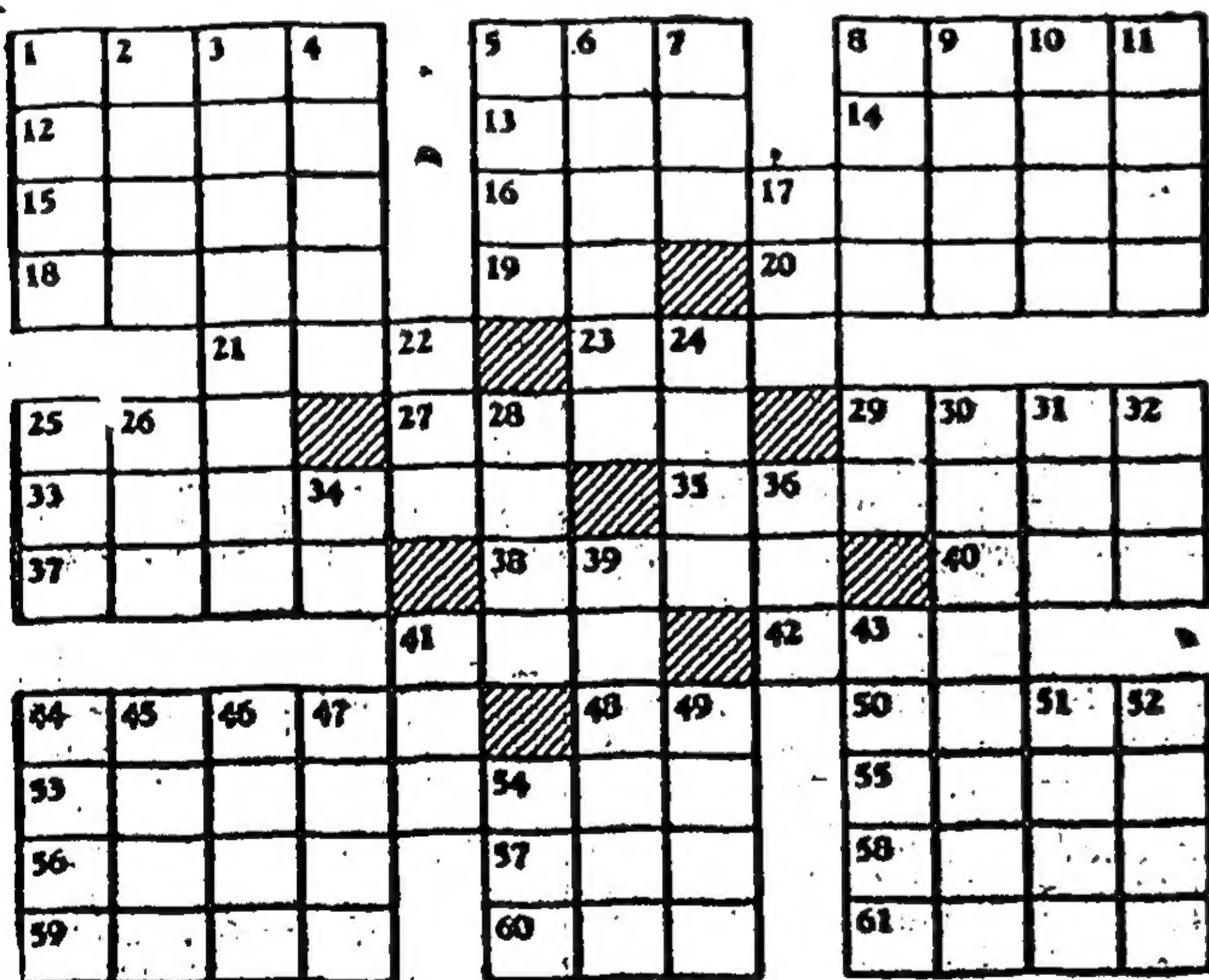
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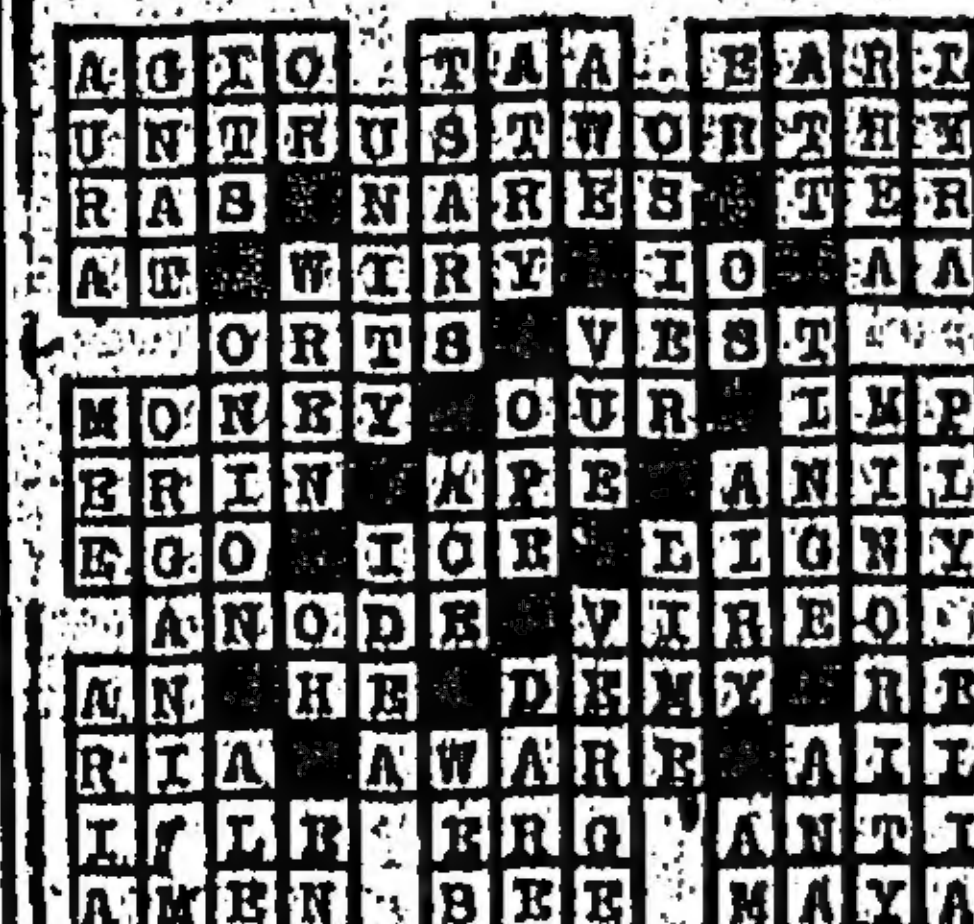
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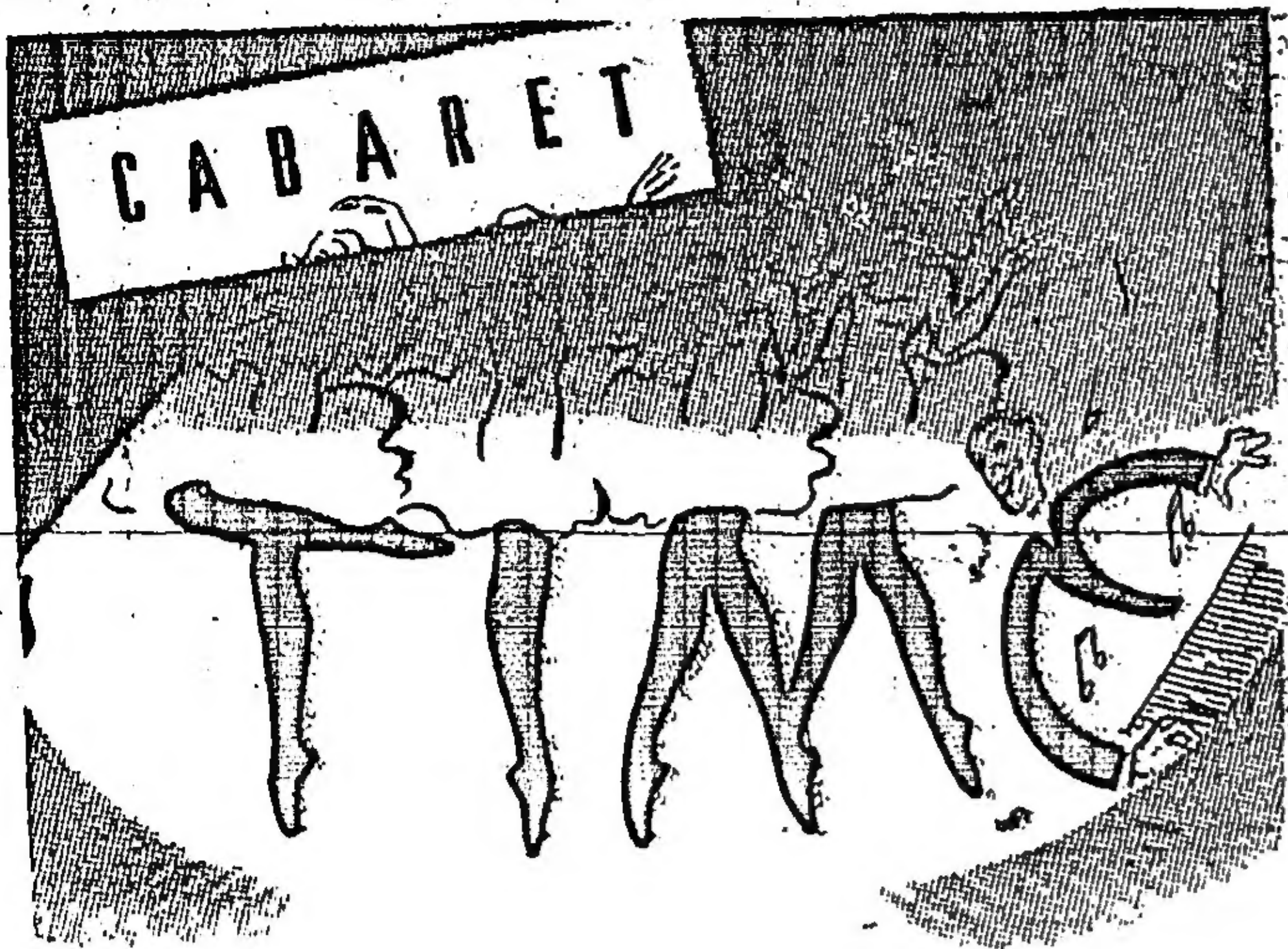
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SENTENCE OF EIGHTEEN MONTHS' HARD LABOUR WAS PASSED ON AN ARMY LIEUTENANT WHO SHOT HIS WIFE BECAUSE OF HER ASSOCIATION WITH ANOTHER MAN.

The jury found the officer not guilty of murder, but guilty of manslaughter, and asked the Judge to give sympathetic consideration in any sentence.

The officer, Lieutenant Albert Edward Gould, 37, South Wales Borderers, was charged at Stafford Assizes with the murder of his wife, Hannah Kate Gould, 30, at Lichfield.

He broke down when he told how he arranged to go to church with his wife and repeat their marriage vows.

But next day his wife told him she had changed her mind. Mr. J. E. Bourke, prosecuting, alleged there had been an association between Mrs. Gould and a man named Keddie.

Found Love Letter

Lieutenant Gould found a letter written by Keddie to his wife which began: "Dearest Katie," and concluded, "All my love, ever yours, Jock," followed by about a dozen "crosses."

Gould and his wife had been married thirteen years and they had five children, the youngest being five.

In May, Gould overstayed a leave and on the night of the tragedy went to his mother-in-law's house, where he found his wife.

He fired six rounds from his revolver, said Mr. Bourke, and three bullets passed through his wife's body. Afterwards he said: "I have made a mistake. I thought I had left one for myself."

"You Asked For It"

Mrs. Gould, who was still conscious, said: "I am going, mother. Look after the kids. Cheerio, everybody."

Lieutenant Gould, addressing his wife, said: "I am sorry, darling, but you have asked for it."

Archibald Keddie agreed, in cross-examination that sometimes he had stayed all night at Mrs. Gould's house. He was still meeting Mrs. Gould while her husband was on leave.

Gould said his wife swore there was nothing wrong between her and Keddie.

The jury reached their verdict after an absence of twenty minutes.

NAKED IN SNAKE PIT, DIED

A NAKED MAN LEAPED INTO A PIT CONTAINING EIGHTY-FIVE RATTLE-SNAKES, BEFORE SCORES OF HOLIDAY-MAKERS AT THE ZOO IN COLFAX, CALIFORNIA.

Singing a hymn, he crawled among the snakes, receiving many bites.

Then the man, John Ottman, climbed from the pit and ran madly to a restaurant he owned. There he collapsed and died.

SUNK IN ITALIAN PORT

Columbia radio, New York, says an Italian ship suddenly sank in Tunis harbour with no apparent cause. It is thought that a British submarine may have sunk the ship.

R.A.F. RESCUE NAZI PILOT

Five hours after an Me. had been shot into the sea by British fighters the pilot was sighted by a Hurricane and was picked up by an R.A.F. crash boat and landed at Ramsgate.

BLITZ SAVES KILLER

Recent air raids destroyed important clues in a murder case, it was stated at a Plymouth inquest.

Because of this, the police may never bring the murderer to justice.

The inquest was on Lylie Bennetts, or Darby, who was found strangled in bed at Cambridge-lane West, Plymouth. The verdict was murder against someone unknown.

"Several promising lines of inquiry the police were pursuing were frustrated by heavy raids on the city," said a detective. "All the places this woman visited have disappeared, and men we might have seen have left on cargo boats which have not returned."

The police, he said, were still pursuing inquiries.

The woman was strangled by her own stockings, and had marks on her face obviously inflicted by some other person.

WIFE AIDED DESERTER

Mrs. Catherine Mary Latham, 22, of Sussex-gardens, W.2, wept bitterly when sentenced at Horsham, Sussex, to three months' hard labour for helping her soldier husband to desert when she knew he was going to do so.

Jacob Kosrovitsky, taxicab driver, of Bearcroft-buildings, London, who had himself been before the Court on a similar charge, which was dismissed, said that on May 27 Mrs. Latham engaged him to drive her to Horsham and back.

She asked him to drive on to Salford where she told him to drive around alone for twenty minutes.

When he did so, he saw her standing with a soldier in uniform under a railway bridge. They jumped into the cab.

Mrs. Latham gave evidence that her husband told her he was having forty-eight days' sick leave and asked her to bring his "civvies" down.

She took a taxi because she had been very ill and was expecting a baby.

NEW DIVE-BOMBER FOR BRITAIN

Two great American concerns, the Vultee Aircraft Corporation and the Northrop Aviation Factory, have pooled resources for the manufacture for Britain of the new Vengeance dive-bomber.

Tactical lessons learned in actual combat in the present war are embodied in this machine, which is claimed by its manufacturers to be superior in performance to any other aircraft of its type.

HITLER'S SISTER-IN-LAW AIDS US

Hitler's sister-in-law, Bridget Elizabeth Hitler, wife of Alois Hitler, has volunteered for the British War Relief Service.

Irish-born, she is seeking an annulment of her marriage, alleging that Alois Hitler deserted her in 1914.

THE UGLY SISTERS

Oozing glamour and besieged by autograph hunters mistaking them for Hollywood stars, the Strank twins, 28, left New York on their way home to Missouri.

It was in startling contrast to the arrival of Violet and Vivienne six weeks ago.

They were winners of a magazine contest for drab women. The prize was a visit to New York for the removal of blackheads, sway backs, premature old age or whatever ailed them.

The Strank girls won hands down. Then followed a strenuous six weeks for them.

They were rubbed, scrubbed, bent, pepped up with vitamins, oiled, fitted with artificial eyelashes.

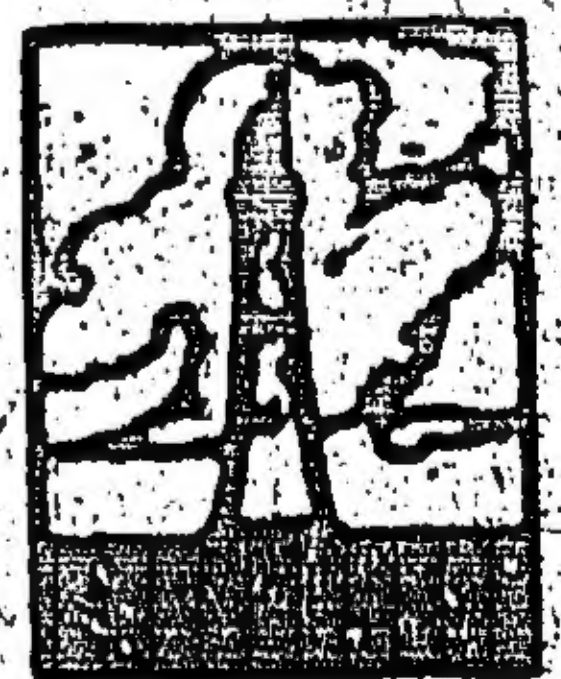
"There's been a drastic change believe me," Violet drawled. "Now I know there's a physical side of life a woman must look out for."

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The tacit admissions in the comments of responsible German experts on the Russian campaign, of the reasons for the slowing down of the advance, of the tremendous and growing difficulties experienced in maintaining supply communications, tell far more than the official communiques of the real situation on the far-flung battlefield. If the main Nazi objective was the swift, simultaneous capture of Leningrad, Kiev and Moscow, the blitzkrieg has failed utterly. If the strategy was to prevent a grand-scale withdrawal by engaging the greatest possible number of Russian troops before the German line of communications outran German ingenuity in organisation, the failure has been just as complete, and there can be only one explanation of the carefully phrased expert analyses of the operations in the Nazi newspapers; that it is intended to prepare the public mind for a campaign that will extend into the winter.

This approach to a vexing confession of frustration does not, of course, check Dr. Goebbels in his extravagances. The fall of Kiev is still a matter of "days or hours," just as it was eight weeks ago. The Russian forces in the Leningrad sector have disintegrated so many times that it comes as quite a shock to learn on alternate days, as it were, that strong Russian resistance is hampering the advance. Odessa was encircled and the garrison was falling over itself in efforts to escape in ships being systematically sunk by the Luftwaffe a fortnight ago. But the city, curiously, still holds out without any noticeable difficulty.

The trouble appears to be, from the German point of view, not only that the Red Army is extremely stubborn in its opposition, not only that it is equipped with a vast number of armoured cars and tanks that seem, surprisingly, to work, but also that the Germans have suddenly discovered the consequences of challenging a country that



HANDS FULL

The Case Of Leopold III

The capitulation of the Belgian army was one of the surprises which provoked the most violent controversy. With the passing of time some rather obscure facts have been explained.

On May, 27, 1940 King Leopold III was accused of treason. It was even stated that he had capitulated without previously having warned the allies.

A recent lawsuit brought against a British newspaper by Admiral Sir Roger Keyes made it possible to throw light on the withdrawal from action of the Belgian forces. The public statements showed that the Belgian Army on the eve of

May 27 was isolated, their communications were cut, any retreat was impossible, they were without supplies of food and ammunition, and military operations, extremely violent in character, were being carried out with thousands of refugees wandering about in no man's land, exposed to the fire of the two opposing armies.

It has also been established that King Leopold III duly informed the allies of his intention of capi-

eleven times over a fortified place which was reproduced exactly to represent the Eben Emael fortress, and these practice attacks were carried out before the invasion.

Furthermore Leopold III, by surrendering his army, only carried out a strictly military act. He did not conclude with the enemy any armistice treaty, nor peace treaty, nor political agreement. The case of Leopold III will probably always remain very confused until such time as each of the actors in the drama is free to state the truth.

Leopold III, was a victim of one of the provisions of the Belgian Constitution, which rather stupidly confuses in case of war the functions of the head of the State with those of the head of the army.

It was in this latter capacity that Leopold III was acting. He voluntarily submitted himself as a prisoner; he wished to share the lot of his soldiers. History will probably very shortly show whether Leopold III did not make a mistake when he allowed himself to be guided rather as Commander-in-Chief than as head of the State. All the other sovereigns of nations who have been attacked have gone into exile and followed their governments.

The position is becoming more complicated now because at the present time the Germans are freeing Belgian prisoners-of-war. What will be the moral and legal position of the King when he, the last among them, shall be free to return home? Will the Germans be sufficiently well disposed towards him as to give him back freedom of speech? For those who know them this hypothesis is chimerical. At the present time Leopold III, as far as the Belgian Constitution is concerned, is in the position of a sovereign unable to reign. This is what his Government and his Parliament have unanimously accepted, and it would seem that he is holding strictly to this constitutional idea.

has been preparing for total war — while never seeking it — for a much longer time than they have themselves. This was, no doubt, most inconsiderate of M. Stalin and his military advisers, and it seems to be adding insult to injury when to that 'surprise-package' has been joined the scorched earth policy. For the first time, the Germans meet a formidable foe on territory stripped before they arrive, where proper roads are few or do not exist, and the railway changes gauge at the frontier. To bring up supplies for an army well inside that frontier and vastly bigger than was considered necessary on June 22 must be a staggering problem. Hitler, in fact, finds himself fighting in a new dimension. "Russia," says an old Russian writer, "is the rock on which theories are cracked."

By Arthur Wauters

tulating. His messages reached Paris and London, but they never arrived at the British headquarters.

From the military point of view the problem is unfortunately of a tragic simplicity. The Belgian Army, which had fought with great heroism for seventeen days, was crushed by the weight of numbers and supplies.

The campaigns in Greece and Crete which have occurred a year after the unfortunate Belgian experience have shown the importance in tactics of the supply factor. One example is sufficient to illustrate the crushing German superiority. The Belgian fortress of Eben Emael in front of Maestricht was considered as one of the most formidable. The attack started at about four in the morning of May 10, 1940; a Belgian Minister telephoned to the military headquarters. By five o'clock in the morning the fortress had practically been conquered by parachutists. It was later learned that the German Army, whose troops were quite fresh, had previously carried out this attack

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"We have no clue to the identity of the donor," said an official.

The boy thought his father might have a brainstorm as had happened two years ago, when the man tried to commit suicide.

leave and arrange to marry within a few hours. In the excitement booking a room is often forgotten. A naval officer who was given

BRITAIN SENDING OUT 'LONE WOLVES' TO CONTINENT

LONE BRITISH RAIDERS ("WINSTON'S MARINES"), LANDING AT DESOLATE POINTS ON ENEMY-OCCUPIED COASTLINES, ARE SPREADING ANTI-NAZI PROPAGANDA AMONG THE PEOPLE.

This revelation is made by the American magazine "Fortune," in an article praising British "fifth column" activities in Europe and describing our intelligence service as the most rapid, accurate and comprehensive in the world.

BEAVERBROOK STORY

PREMIER REFUSES INQUIRY

The Prime Minister, in the House of Commons refused to investigate the charge made against Lord Beaverbrook, a member of the War Cabinet, of having been concerned in peace moves.

Mr. Neil Maclean (M.P. for Govan) called the Prime Minister's attention to an election sheet published in Greenock on behalf of the Communist candidate which, he said, contained serious allegations against a prominent member of the War Cabinet:—

"Untruthful"

"That he is, or has been, seeking an immediate peace with Germany; that the publication states that the source of the information is a speech delivered at a meeting in Glasgow by a member of this House referring to proposals made to him by a member of the War Cabinet at an interview last year."

Mr. Churchill, defending Lord Beaverbrook, said the matter referred to an account of a speech by the Member for Shettleston (Mr. McGovern) relating to a conversation with Lord Beaverbrook.

"It is very common at by-elections for a lot of untruthful and tendentious statements to be put into circulation," said Mr. Churchill.

"A Year After"

Mr. McGovern: Is any attempt being made to suggest that the statements are untrue? While I have no objection to any explanation being given, the statements appearing in that sheet are completely true.

Mr. Churchill: I am assured they are untrue. Mr. McGovern, I understand, attended a private conversation, and more than a year afterwards gave his own version of the conversation which passed. In those circumstances I think the utmost distrust should be placed on any statement of Mr. McGovern's.

Mr. Maxton (I.L.P., Bridgeton) said that if it were to become a matter of controversy Mr. McGovern would not go unsupported.

Mr. Churchill said he could see no reason at all for further inquiry.

BOSS AT 13

The mother of a boy aged 13, who should have appeared at Lambeth Juvenile Court, said she had cleaned his boots, left him a clean shirt and laid out a suit for him that morning.

But the boy put on his oldest boots and trousers and his dirtiest shirt, and went out saying: "There is no need for you to go to the court—I am not going." A warrant was issued.

The "uncanny efficiency" of our spy system, the writer declares, has enabled us to attack German troops holding embarkation drill along the Channel coasts just at the right moment.

It has helped us to bomb camouflaged munition dumps that could never be spotted from the air and to machine-gun enemy statesmen and generals on secret inspections.

Peasant Disguise

France is said to be the happy hunting-ground for these British agents. Disguised as peasants, workmen or business men, they land at deserted spots and wander freely throughout occupied and unoccupied zones.

One British officer is reported to have landed his car on the Brittany coast and driven into Paris in it! These lone wolves dubbed "Winston's Marines," carry arms and money to De Gaulle sympathisers in France.

They spread anti-Nazi propaganda, organise sabotage and spy-rings, and their passage is marked by savage German reprisals that earn the undying hatred of the French against their conquerors.

FAMOUS LONDON "BOYS" DISAPPEAR

STATUES OF TWO BOYS, FAMED IN LONDON'S HISTORY SINCE THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY WERE DESTROYED IN THE LAST BLITZ.

Gone is the "fat boy" statue which stood near Smithfield, "in memory of the late fire of London occasioned by the sin of gluttony in 1666."

No more does "the naked boy on the top of London" sit on a stone basket near St. Paul's.

MORE BIGAMY AS WAR RESULT

BIGAMY IS INCREASING, and so much time is taken up by trials at assizes that Judges are pressing for an alteration of the law so that bigamists may be dealt with at police courts and quarter sessions.

A barrister told the "Daily Mirror" that the increase in bigamy is largely the result of the social and domestic upheaval caused by war. There was greater strain on the marriage relationship and moral ties were loosened.

At Maidstone Assizes Mr. Justice Humphreys, who had just dealt with nine cases, said he could not understand why the law still insisted that bigamy should be tried only at assizes and the Central Criminal Court.

Though bigamy could raise difficult questions of law, in ninety out of a hundred cases the plea was guilty. No point of law was raised and the cases could be dealt with by police courts or sessions.

There was more important work at assizes, the Judge added.

A barrister told the "Daily Mirror": "Bigamy of any kind was once regarded as extremely serious, but in many cases where there are extenuating circumstances, Judges now tend to exercise leniency. Often the punishment is merely a day's imprisonment or a binding over."

Although figures are not available, it is estimated by legal authorities that more bigamy cases will come before the courts this year than at any time in the history of law.

In 1914-18 and the five post-war years, bigamy cases averaged four times the number of any year before 1914.

Though figures then decreased, they never came down to the pre-1914 figures. A parallel increase now is placing on courts the strain of which judges complain.

DOES LOVE HIT YOU THIS WAY?

When blood pressure goes up, when there are pains in the stomach, coupled with headaches and other physical disturbances which medicine fails to remedy — it may be love!

That at least is the opinion of Dr. Leon J. Saul, clinical assistant of the Institute for Psychoanalysis in Chicago.

He says that the pains may come from a jamming of emotions, often caused by hunger for love or maternal protection.

HE'LL STAY A WOMAN

"I prefer being a woman — I never want to become a man again!" declared Edward Richards, 29, Los Angeles (California) army conscript who turned into a woman, rejecting offers by eminent doctors to turn him into a man again.

At the same time Richards, who had been given legal permission to change his name to Barbara Ann, and wore a fashionable gown, introduced his wife, whom he married last year, to astonished reporters.

Buxom Mrs. Richards, 32, said: "I realise my husband can no longer continue living as a man, but that doesn't matter in the least."

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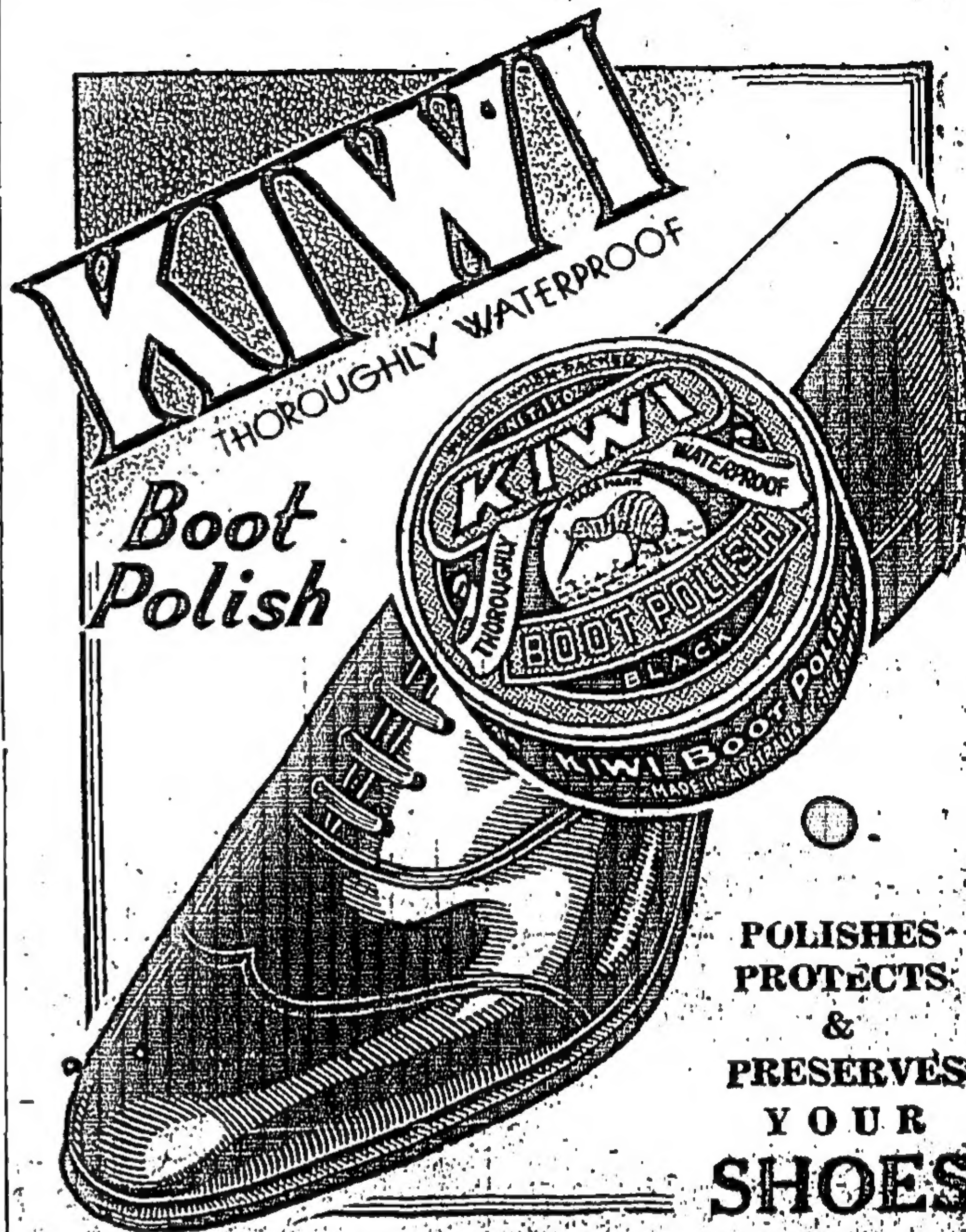
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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	279	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 412, Tong M. Road, between Kowloon Inland Lot Nos. 422 & 427, Mong Kok.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 18,100	\$332	\$1,675
			As per sale plan						

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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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The attention of the public is directed to Defence Regulation 49 which confers the necessary powers on members of His Majesty's forces in uniform and on duty.

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6th September, 1941.



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BRIDGE NOTES

PICKING THE RIGHT CARD

By The Four Aces

Some plays are so delicate that while an expert can see them in actual play, most players would miss them even on seeing all four hands. When to-day's hand was played, for example, Alfred P. Scheinwald of New York City, came up with the critical play. But we think that very few of our readers will spot the right play even though they can see all four hands. Try it for yourself:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

NORTH

♠ K J 3
♥ A 9 4
♦ Q J 10 7 3
♣ Q 2

WEST

♠ 10 8 7 2
♥ K 7 2
♦ A 6 4
♣ 9 6 5

EAST

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ 8 2
♣ 8 7 4 3

SOUTH

♠ Q 8 6
♥ J 6 5
♦ K 9 6
♣ A K J 10

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West opened the deuce of spades, and Mr. Scheinwald (sitting East) won with the Ace of spades. He thought briefly and then picked the only one of his twelve remaining cards which could lead to the defeat of the contract. Before you read on, see if you can say which card he led.

Mr. Scheinwald's choice was the ten of hearts! Continuing spades was obviously useless, diamonds were held by dummy, and South probably had a club suit. So a shift to hearts was pretty well marked. But the shift would have done no good if he had led a low heart, for South would have played low and West's King would have been trapped: then South's Jack would have been a second heart stopper.

As it was, South played the Jack of hearts on East's ten, West played the King, and South made the mistake of playing dummy's Ace. When West got the lead with the Ace of diamonds, he led another heart, and East's Queen-eight trapped dummy's nine.

SCIENTIST JOINS AIR COUNCIL

SIR HENRY TIZARD, WHO HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS BRITAIN'S FOREMOST AERONAUTICAL SCIENTIST, HAS, IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED, BEEN APPOINTED AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF THE AIR COUNCIL.

In this capacity, and as a member of the Aircraft Supply Council, he will have special responsibility for studying and advising on scientific and technical policy. Sir Henry Tizard, who is 55, has for some time been on secret work for the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the Air Ministry.

Air Vice-Marshal F. J. Linnell, an Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, who is 49, has been appointed a member of the Aircraft Supply Council in executive charge of research and development. He will be promoted to the acting rank of Air Marshal and will become an additional member of the Air Council.

Three hearts and two side Aces thus defeated the contract.

Yesterday you were Merwin Moler's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K J 7
♥ 3
♦ A J 10 4
♣ Q 6 5 3 2

The bidding:

Jacoby	Van	Scheinwald	Moler
1♥	Pass	2♥	2♠
2♥	(?)		

ANSWER: Bid four spades. Your partner must have a very fine hand to bid two spades when vulnerable against two bidding opponents and with a silent partner. You have much more support for a spade contract than your partner has a right to expect, and if you fail to bid your full strength you may fail to get to game.

Score 100% for four spades, 60% for three spades, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 814

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Jacoby	You	Scheinwald	Moler
1♥	Pass	2♥	2♠
2♥	4♣	Pass	Pass
5♥	(?)		

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

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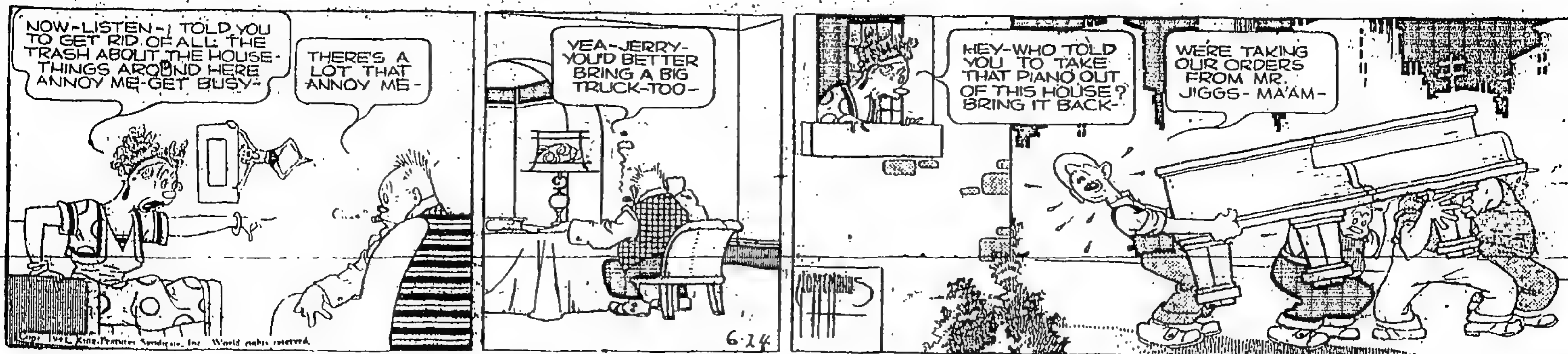
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

New Gadget Makes Clear Skin Possible

Housewives, at least, will see the efficacy of a little plastic and rubber gadget which has been invented to give the skin a vacuum cleaning. Through suction, dust and other foreign bodies are taken from the skin pores, leaving them free to breathe and discharge the body's poisons. It is the perfect aid for stubborn skin which remains clogged no matter how many cream treatments you give it.

The narrowest end of this beauty aid is perforated with tiny holes and the wide end is covered with a removable rubber cap. By compressing this cap with finger tips, as the gadget is held against the creamed skin, you create the necessary suction, and the pores are relieved of their burdens.

After removing the cream with tissue you may use the rubber cap end for a brisk skin shampoo. Its tiny rubber teeth gently massage the skin with the rich soap lather and, after a thorough rinsing with warm water, you may end this novel facial, by filling the gadget with cracked ice and massaging the skin again with the rubber brush end. This closes the cleansed pores without allowing ice to touch the skin.

As this little aid is made of rubber and plastic it may be sterilised with hot soap and water after your facial.

A Perfect Helpmate

If you have a dry skin, a stubborn skin, or a sensitive one, you will delight in two lovely English creams which recently made their debut in a trio set—the third preparation being a delectable hand lotion.

The one cream is the lightest cleanser I have ever used. The second cream is one rich in valuable oils for skin lubrication, and it, too, has the frothiest of consistencies.

The three aids are in delicate pink plastic jars that fit into a decorative pink stand which is nice to place prominently on your dressing-table or in your bath-



A conical-shaped plastic cup serves as a skin vacuum when the rubber cap is compressed with finger tips. This gadget may be used for a complete and novel facial.

room, as a reminder for daily skin pampering.

If your skin has been slightly allergic to some creams or lotions, I advise you to give these creams a test. They are mixed for the delicate, lovely complexions of the English and Scotch woman, and thus are soothing to even the most sensitive American skin.

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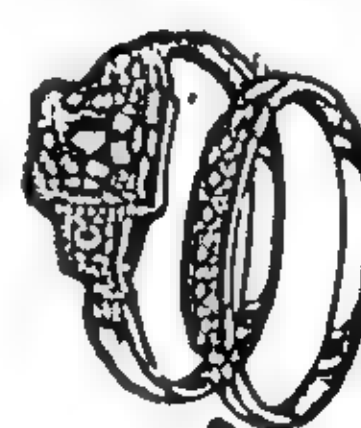
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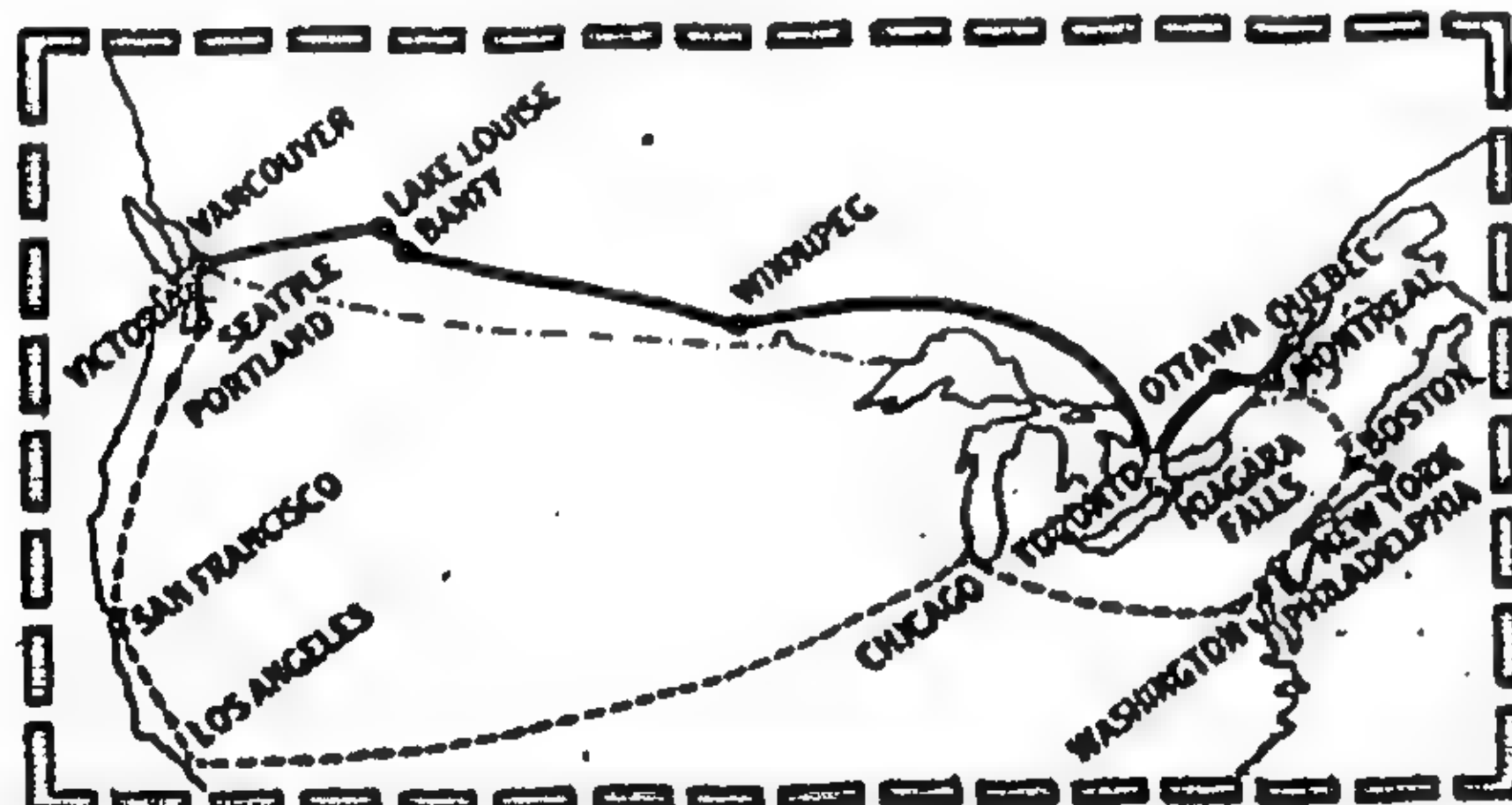
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Hitler A Mimic: Mussolini A Pet Subject

"LOOKING FOR TROUBLE" is the apt and modest title of Virginia Cowles's book published by Hamish Hamilton (12s 6d.) The author is the brilliant young American journalist who has succeeded in being on the spot in Europe during the last four years whenever there was any trouble brewing.

She saw the war in Spain from both sides, was in Czechoslovakia at the time of the Munich crisis; flew to Berlin a few hours before the outbreak of war; went through the Finnish campaign; left Paris just as the Germans arrived, and took part in the Battle of Britain.

Miss Cowles was one of the guests at Ribbentrop's tea-party for Hitler at Nuremberg; she interviewed Mussolini and had revealing talks with Mr. Churchill and Mr. Chamberlain.

She has a journalist's eye for a good story, often succeeds in getting behind the scenes, and her sense of humour never fails her. Miss Cowles was in Nuremberg with Unity Mitford, who "threw a new light on the character of the Fuehrer."

Duce—"I'm Very Clever"

Mussolini started their conversation by asking Miss Cowles if she thought he was a despot. When she asked him: "If you dislike the League of Nations why do you remain a member?" he replied, "almost coyly: 'Because I'm a very clever man. Politics is a difficult game, and the way I'm playing it is my best chance to win. It's not easy. I'm at war with 52 nations.'"

Miss Cowles saw Count Ciano the day after he had returned from Berchtesgaden. He took her out swimming. "Suddenly he bobbed up from under the water and said: 'I bet you'd like to know what I talked to Hitler about.'"

"Yes, I would," she replied. "But perhaps because I have a shrewd opinion he did most of the talking."

"Well, don't be too sure," replied Ciano, irritated. "He is not the only one. I can make history too. When I think how many lives depend on my thoughts, it's a relief to come out here for a few hours and get away from it all."

Hitler's Bad Temper

Mr. Chamberlain told her he thought Ribbentrop was "a terrible fellow." "And Hitler?" she asked.

"Not very pleasant either. I thought he had an extraordinary face—almost sinister. And a temper that's quite unmanageable. Several times at Godesberg he got so excited I was able to carry on a conversation only with extreme difficulty."

Just before she left for Rome Miss Cowles met Mr. Churchill. She asked him if he thought the Italians were coming into the war. He shook his head:

"I don't know. I certainly hope not. I'm very fond of the Italian people. But if they do, of one thing I'm certain—it won't be necessary to go to Pompeii to see the ruins."

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Their skill was praised by Mr. G. Bickford, of Somerford Grange, Staffordshire.

"We cannot get labour," he said. "I have been promised soldiers to help me out, but nothing happens."

"The authorities then promised to send us Italian prisoners."

"The girls have definitely saved the beet crop here."

Wearing shorts, Betty Hughes, 19, of Hurst Hill, Sedgely, and Marjorie Hewitt, 18, of Lanes Field, Wolverhampton, said they were both railway clerks in the daytime.

Money For Charity

Miss Mary Wilkie is an artist and said she was related to Sir David Wilkie, the famous painter. She had been hoeing all day.

Nurse Rosalene Braddick, 18, was working in the field during her only day off.

Mrs. G. Cosnett, organiser of the corps, said:

"The farmers pay us the usual rates, and after deducting expenses for transport and incidentals all the money goes to war charities."

and News Commentary.

10.18 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—No Souvenirs: Don't Make Me Laugh (With Tears in My Eyes)

Jack White & his Band.

Swing Fox-Trots—I've Found A New Baby: Easy To Get... Bud Freeman & his Summa Cum Laude Orchestra.

Quick-Step—I Wanna Wrap You Up: Slow Fox-Trot—I Forgot The Little Things... Joe Loss & his Band.

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Fox-Trot—Never Took A Lesson In My Life: Waltz—Lovely Old Lady... Sydney Lipton & his Grosvenor House Dance Orchestra.

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Take A Pair Of Sparkling Eyes... Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orch.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Charlie Kunz (Piano) and Reginald Dixon (Organ).

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Dancing Time, No. 5—Intro: Grandma Said: I Miss You In The Morning (Fox-Trots): I Shall Always Remember You Smiling: Where The Shannon Flows Down To The Sea (Waltzes)... Reginald Dixon.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 9—Intro: Sympathy: You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret: You're Here, You're There... Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp.

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Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 43—Intro: Goodnight Again: When The Blackbird Says Bye Bye: Ferryboat Serenade: Trade Winds: Our Love Affair: Maybe... Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp.

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Drift To Me Only With Thine Eyes (Anon. arr. Ba'ten): Passing By (Horrick & Purcell)... Hubert Elsdell, Heddie Nash, Dennis Noble and Norman Allin with String Quartette.

The Fairies Gavotte (Kohn)... Albert Sandler & his Orchestra.

Masquerade (Loch)... Albert Sandler & his Orchestra.

Parted (Tosti)... Peter Dawson (Vocal) with Organ.

Standchen (Strauss): Ay, Ay, Ay ("Guyana"—Perez, Friere)... De Groot & The Piccadilly Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—Military Band Concert with Muriel Brunskill (Contralto).

The Jolly Robbers—Overture (Suppe)... The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

The Banks Of Allan Water (Old Scottish Ballad)... Muriel Brunskill with Piano.

A Life On The Ocean Waves (arr. Dunn)... The Orchestra of H.M. Royal Marines (Portsmouth Div.).

Songs Of The Hebrides—Kishinul's Galley: In Hebride Seas (Kennedy-Fraser)... Muriel Brunskill with Piano.

Wedding Of The Rose (Jessel)... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Minstrel Memories... Foden's Motor Works Band.

7.15 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera. Countess Maritza—Selection (Kallman)... Grand Symphony Orch.

The Czarevitch—Operetta in Brief (Lehar-Jenbach-Reichert)... Herbert Groh (Tenor), Tressi Rudolph (Soprano) with Chorus & Orchestra.

Chu Chin Chow—Selection (Norton)... The Gaumont-British Orchestra cond. by Louis Levy.

7.40 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra & Nelson Eddy (Baritone).

Sylvia (Scollard-Speaks)... Nelson Eddy with Piano accomp.

Dawn (Mitt)... The London Palladium Orchestra.

Through The Years (Heymann-Youmann): Dusty Road (Leon Rene & Otis Rene)... Nelson Eddy with Orchestra.

Amlina (Lincke): Animal Antics—Novity Intermezzo (Wark)... The London Palladium Orchestra.

6.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay — War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay — "Listening Post" Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—London Relay — "Calling Britain Forces In The Far East".

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Programme Summary and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Concerto, No. 1 in B Flat Minor, Op. 23.

1st Mov: Allegro non troppo e molto maestoso; 2nd Mov: Andantino semplice—Prestissimo; 3rd Mov: Allegro con fuoco... Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Barbirolli.

9.35 p.m.—Russian Songs: The Ballad Of The 12 Brigades (Russian Folk Song)... Michail Giltowsky (Bass) with Chorus.

Farwell To The Volga: Two Peasants In Petrograd... Russian Choir "Boyar".

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—The Bohemians: Melody Of The Waltz (Gungl): Summer Breezes (King): Daddy Long Legs (Wright).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay — The News

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Colonel H. B. Rose, M. C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

H.K., Friday, 5th Sept., 1941.

RECRUITS' MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Fri, 12th Sept. 5.30 p.m. Medical Inspection Room, H.Q. Orderly Medical Officer—Lieut. S. Bard.

DETAILS: Corps Orderly N.C.O. H.Q. 5.25 p.m. each day.

Mon, 8th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. Corps Signals.

Tues, 9th Sept. to be detailed by No. 6 Company.

Wed, 10th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. No. 2 Company.

Thurs, 11th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. No. 3 Company.

Fri, 12th Sept. to be detailed by No. 5 Company.

PARADES—CORPS ARTILLERY

Dress For ½ Day Training—

Shirt, shorts, boots, puttees, helmet, web belt, haversack and waterbottle (filled). Trousers and gun platform shoes in haversack.

Classes of Instruction—

Mon, 8th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Recruits' Class under C.A.S.M.

J. M. Jack Dress—Overalls, belt, frog, rifle sling and S.D. cap.

Wed, 10th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Recruits' Class under C.A.S.M.

J. M. Jack. Dress as above.

2nd Battery:—

Fri, 12th Sept. to Sun, 14th Sept. p.m. Time to be notified later.

Bluff Head. All Secs. Dress—Fighting Order (Trousers and shirt sleeves). Week-end Camp.

Thurs, 11th Sept. No parade.

3rd Battery:—

Tues, 9th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All members. Dress—Mufli. Lecture by Major Garland. "Recognition of aircraft."

Tues, 9th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. B.C.A.'s Class. Dress—Mufli. Conducted by Lt. McLellan.

Thurs, 11th Sept. 1.30 p.m. H.Q. Advance Party as detailed. 2 p.m. H.Q. All members. Dress as usual for ½ day training. Training at Bluff Head.

4th Battery:—

Tues, 9th Sept. No parade.

Thurs, 11th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—Mufli. Kit inspection and gas chamber.

5th A.A. Battery:—

Wed, 10th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Secs. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

Thurs, 11th Sept. 3 p.m. H.Q. No 2 Sec. Dress as detailed. ½ day training.

Field Company Engineers:—

Mon, 8th Sept. No parade.

Thurs, 11th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. K.C.R. Company parade. Dress—Helmets, shirts, shorts, hose-tops, boots and puttees. Overalls to be carried. Fatigue parties as detailed and technical training for remainder.

Corps Signals:—

Mon, 8th Sept. No parade.

Wed, 10th Sept. 2 p.m. H.Q. ½ day training. Uniform, belts only. Signal training in Sections.

Fri, 12th Sept. 5 p.m. H.Q. (i) M/T Training Murray Parade Ground (ii) Weapon training as detailed. (iii) Telegraphy Class. (iv) Signal training. (v) Training Cadre will not parade. Arms and S.B.R.'s will be returned immediately.

Mobile Column:—

Mon, 8th Sept. 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls. Driving instruction.

Wed, 10th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. All Plns. Dress—Drill Order, shirt, sleeves, helmets. Thomp-

son S.M.G., V.G. and L.G. training, lecture.

Fri, 12th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All Plns. Dress as previously detailed. A/Cars Secs. and No. 3 Pln. V.G. and L.G. training. Nos. 1 and 2 Plns. Rifle Drill. Nos. 1 and 2 Plns. will bring web belts, frogs and slings.

No. 1 Company:—

Mon, 8th Sept. No parade.

Fri, 12th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—Mufli. Weapon training.

No. 2 Company:—

Tues, 9th Sept. 5.30 p.m. Kowloon Dock. No. 6 Pln. Dress—Mufli. Weapon training.

Wed, 10th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 7 Pln. Dress—Mufli. Thompson S.M.G.

Fri, 12th Sept. 2 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Battle Order. ½ day training.

No. 3 Company:—

Thurs, 11th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Overalls, caps. Coy. training.

Sun, 14th Sept. 9 a.m. Peak Range. Those detailed.

No. 4 Company:—

Mon, 8th Sept. No parade.

Wed, 10th Sept. 2 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—Drill Order, helmets. Weapon training.

No. 5 Company:—

Mon, 8th Sept. and Fri, 12th Sept. No parade.

No. 6 Company:—

Tues, 9th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Coy. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

Fri, 12th Sept. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. N.C.O.'s. 2 Pln. Dress—Boots, puttees, shorts, shirts, S.D. caps, helmets over left shoulder, web equipment less haversack and water bottle. T.E.W.T. Remainder of Coy. L.G. (A.A.) revision.

No. 7 Company:—

Mon, 8th Sept. No parade.

Fri, 12th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. 26 Pln. Officers and N.C.O.'s. Dress as detailed in Coy. Orders. T.E.W.T. Remainder of Coy. Summer uniform. (i) Grenade training. (ii) Bayonet training. (iii) L.G. T.O.E.T. (iv) L.L. recapitulation.

Army Service Corps Company:—

Tues, 9th Sept. No parade.

Wed, 10th Sept. to Sun, 14th Sept. Transport and Supply Section. Weekly duties. Dress as before. Duty Officers as detailed.

Thurs, 11th Sept. 5.15 p.m. Queen's Pier. Whole Coy. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps. Incendiary bomb disposal demonstration at A.R.P. H.Q.

Fri, 12th Sept. 5.15 p.m. Murray Parade Ground. Those detailed. Overalls and S.D. caps. Motor cycling instruction.

Sun, 28th Sept. All day exercise. Details later.

Field Ambulance:—

Wed, 10th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Review Order. Promotion Class.

Fri, 12th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Mufli. Promotion Class.

Pay Section:—

Thurs, 11th Sept. 8.30 a.m. Comd. H.Q. Sub-Sec. I. Uniform. Pay duties.

Thurs, 11th Sept. Vol. H.Q. All ranks. Dress—Mufli. Weapon training.

Fri, 12th Sept. 8.30 a.m. Comd. H.Q. Sub-Sec. II. Uniform. Pay duties.

Orderly Sergeant for week—Sgt. G. Castle.

Next for duty—Sgt. W. J. Woolley.

Fortress Signal Company:—

Tues, 9th Sept. 2.30 p.m. Exchange Building. Mufli. L.G. training.

APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS

Appointments & Promotions:—

Sgt. M. A. Baptista, No. 5 Coy, to be C.Q.M.S.—5.9.41.

L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios, No. 5 Coy, to be Sgt.—5.9.41.

Cpl. L. E. Lammer, No. 1 Coy, to be Pte.—5.9.41.

Sigmn. P. D. A. Chidell, Corps Signals to be L/Cpl.—29.8.41.

Sigmn. E. G. Mathias, Corps Signals to be L/Cpl.—29.8.41.

Transfers:—

Cpl. L. E. Lammer from Mob. Column to No. 1 Coy.—5.9.41.

F/Cdt. A. F. Walkden from Air Arm to Corps H.Q.—5.9.41.

L/Cpl. C. W. Haynes from Fd. Amb. to Stanley Pln.—5.9.41.

The following leave has been cancelled:—

Gnr. N. W. Smeby, 2nd Bty. 20.8.41—19.9.41.

Strength—Decrease:—

Pte. L. A. Rosario, No. 6 Coy. 25.7.41.

E. N. Thursby, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICES

Officers' Mess Meeting:—

An Officers' Mess Meeting will be held in No. 1 Lecture Room on Thursday 11th Sept. at 6 p.m. All Officers not on duty will attend.

Sgt's Mess General Meeting:—

The Sergeants' Mess Meeting that was adjourned on Tuesday

22.7.41 will be resumed in No. 1 Lecture Room at H.Q. on Wed. 10.9.41 at 5.30 p.m. All members not on parade will attend.

Annual Aquatic Sports:—

The Annual Aquatic Sports will be held on Sat. 20th Sept. commencing at 9 p.m. The following will be the events for the inter-unit championship:—

Relay, Free Style—4 men, each to swim two lengths.

Relay, Medley—3 men, each one length.

Diving—2 men from each Unit.

Relay, Free Style—6 men, each one length.

The competing units will be as follows:—Corps Artillery; Mobile Column; Nos. 1, 2, 3 Coys; Portuguese Coys; Chinese Coys; Small Units.

Names of competitors in the various events to be sent in to the Hon. Secretary, Pte. R. Goldman, No. 1 Company, not later than noon on Sat. Sept. 13th.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. Lecture:—

There will be no First Aid Lecture.

Strength—Decrease:—

Mrs. M. A. McKenna—29.8.41.

Miss G. Owen—6.9.41.

Office:—

The Nursing Detachment Office will not be open at all on Wed. 10th Sept.

Sgt. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

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THEFT OF LOVE LETTER: BLACKMAIL CHARGE

SO CURIOUS WERE workmates to read the love letters of a young girl and an R.A.F. pilot that they searched her handbag at work and one of the letters was stolen.

As a result of this incident, Mona Roberts, 21, of Victoria Street, Caerau, was accused of blackmail at Bridgend, Glam.

She was sent for trial at Glamorgan Assizes after pleading not guilty.

Mr. Richard John, prosecuting, said Sergeant-Pilot Peter John Hoare was friendly with a girl named Thelma Pegler, of Caerau. Love letters passed, and some of her workmates, anxious to read them, searched her bag at the factory where they worked.

One letter she wrote was stolen. She next heard that the last page was sent to Hoare with an addition and a lock of hair.

"Not Decent"

With it was an anonymous letter saying: "I have in my possession two letters concerning yourself and Thelma Pegler. . . and I can assure you they are anything but decent. If these letters mean anything to you or your position, I do not suppose you would hesitate to pay me £1 to return them."

"If you do not come clean I am taking these letters personally to Thelma's parents and from there I am registering them, together with the remainder of the souvenir, to your commanding officer."

Roberts denied writing the letter, but when confronted with a statement by another girl, it was alleged, she said:

"I wrote this letter because I wanted to frighten him owing to the letters. They were not fit for a decent young girl to receive."

"I did not intend to carry out the threat, and I realise now I was very foolish."

£22,000 AMONG 160

An estate of £22,000 is to be divided between 160 relatives who have been searched for since Joseph Vincent Rainford, retired Liverpool timber merchant, died in 1939, aged 70, without making a will.

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FOOTBALL ARTICLE
NEXT MONDAY

Due to the Manning Exercise, it has been considered advisable to continue our series of articles on local football prospects on Monday.

OPEN
BOWLS
RESULTS

The remaining games in Fourth Round of Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs championship were played yesterday and resulted in S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar, of Craigengower Cricket Club, surprisingly beating S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd easily by 14 shots and J. F. McGowan and N. J. Bebbington comfortably accounting for W. B. Harris and A. Soutar by 18 shots.

Solina And Omar Win

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar of Craigengower Cricket Club beat S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd by 28-14 in the Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs championship.

The Craigengower pair started with a spurt of 10 1 5 3 2 to lead 12-1 at the 6th. After conceding a two at the next they followed up with 2 0 2 1 1 to lead 18-4 at the 12th. Eccleshall and Shepherd then scored a two and a five to trail 11-18 at the 14th but the winners again had a run of 3 0 1 4 to win eventually by 14 shots after scoring at 13 ends.

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Civil Service Pair Win

At Club de Recreio, J. F. MacGowan and N. J. Bebbington, of Civil Service Cricket Club, beat W. B. Harris and A. Soutar, of Police Recreation Club, by 30-12 in the Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship. Civil Service pair scored at seven of the first eight heads to lead 14-4. They lead 25-5 at the 13th and 29-8 at the 17th, and finally won by 18 shots after scoring at 14 ends.

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William Bell Harman figures he has two chances of making good with the Phillies—either pitching or catching. At Maryland, the Philadelphia recruit caught eight innings against the University of Pittsburgh, then preserved the Terps' slim lead by striking out three batters in the ninth. Harman batted .380 and hit eight homers in 20 games.



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COMPLETE FIELDING
STATISTICS FOR THE
1941 LEAGUE SEASON

By "Grandstand"

DURING THE 1941 BASEBALL LEAGUE SEASON SEVERAL PLAYERS RETURNED PERFECT FIELDING PERFORMANCES, BUT THEIR FAILURE TO PARTICIPATE IN SEVEN GAMES, THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF APPEARANCES TO QUALIFY FOR HONOURS, AUTOMATICALLY EXCLUDES THEM FROM THE TITLE IN THE VARIOUS FIELDING DEPARTMENTS, BUT FOR RECORD PURPOSES THEIR PERFORMANCES HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE STATISTICAL FIGURES ON THIS PAGE.

Of those who appeared in the required number of games, Chung Hwa centre-gardener "Loney" Loong came nearest to perfection, with only one bobble in accepting 22 chances to average .955, whilst Mindanao slugging hind-sneaker Tony Mascavage proved he was no slouch behind the plate, handling 85 chances, the highest total handed by a single player.

Slabster Al Lau, set up the high for assists by flipping out 29, whilst Sapper Hot Corner guardian "Blondie" Taylor booted 17 chances out of 46 at the far turn.

Figures are given in the following order: Number of games played, Putouts, Assists, Errors, Double Plays, Total Chances and Percentage.

Pitchers

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Arculli, M. (H.B.)	5	4	8	0	0	12	1.000
Sawyer, (Ash.)	2	0	4	0	0	4	1.000
Lau, A. (C. Hwa)	9	7	29	3	1	39	.923
Ruel, H. (Min.)	8	18	11	3	1	32	.906
Pawloski, L. (Min.)	9	21	22	6	0	49	.878
Schaberg, J. (H.K.B.C.)	6	13	6	3	2	22	.864
Sarsfield, M. (R.E.)	8	11	23	8	0	42	.810
Lau, P. I. (S.C.)	7	4	20	7	0	31	.774

Catchers

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Mascavage, T. (Min.)	9	62	18	5	1	85	.941
Chang, B. (C. Hwa)	9	51	22	5	1	78	.9359
Arculli, O. (H.B.)	5	15	14	2	2	31	.9355
Langford, (Ash.)	2	9	3	1	0	13	.923
Higgins, (H.K.B.C.)	7	33	9	6	1	48	.875
Winglee, H. (S.C.)	9	42	17	10	0	69	.855
Foley, B. (R.E.)	9	36	18	12	1	66	.818

1st Basemen

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Halgh, (Ash.)	2	12	0	0	0	12	1.000
Leonard, S. (H.B.)	4	33	2	2	0	37	.945
Shaw, M. (R.E.)	9	61	11	5	1	87	.925
Strahl, R. (Min.)	6	42	0	4	0	46	.913
Molthen, F. J. (H.K.B.C.)	8	33	5	4	0	42	.905
Moy, E. (S.C.)	9	28	0	6	0	34	.824
Chan, U. T. (C. Hwa)	5	21	0	5	0	26	.808

2nd Basemen

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Wilson, R. (Min.)	9	7	8	2	0	17	.882
Choy, P. F. (C. Hwa)	7	14	13	5	2	32	.844
Welford, J. (R.E.)	9	18	13	6	0	37	.838
Alves, T. (H.B.)	5	7	2	2	1	11	.818
Hamlin, L. (H.K.B.C.)	4	3	6	2	0	11	.818
Wong, Pat. (S.C.)	7	12	5	5	0	22	.773
Watkins, (Ash.)	2	6	2	4	0	12	.667

3rd Basemen

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
DiGiacomo (Ash.)	2	2	7	0	0	9	1.000
Bowersox, (Min.)	9	15	15	4	1	34	.882
Crory, D. (H.K.B.C.)	4	7	7	2	1	16	.875
Leonard, D. (H.B.)	5	6	7	2	1	15	.867
Johnson, B. (H.K.B.C.)	5	12	5	5	0	22	.773
Ng, C. W. (S.C.)	9	19	5	10	0	34	.706
Woo, W. (C. Hwa)	6	7	8	8	0	23	.652
Taylor, (R.E.)	9	23	6	17	1	46	.630

Short-Stops

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Rhoades, (Ash.)	2	2	5	0	0	7	1.000
Fox, T. (R.E.)	8	29	8	4	1	41	.902
Ma, N. K. (S.C.)	9	31	19	8	0	58	.862
Souza, G. (H.B.)	5	8	8	6	1	22	.727
Lum, N. (H.K.B.C.)	4	15	7	9	3	31	.710
Ho, B. K. (C. Hwa)	6	10	8	11	0	29	.621
Moore, (Min.)	9	8	7	11	0	26	.577

Left Fielders

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
All, H. (H.B.)	5	5	0	0	0	5	1.000
Waller, (H.K.B.C.)	3	1	0	0	0	1	1.000
Leib, (Ash.)	2	1	0	0	0	1	1.000
McKenzie, (Min.)	3	7	0	1	0	8	.875
Winglee, C. (S.C.)	9	17	6	8	0	29	.793
Chung, C. S. (C. Hwa)	3	3	0	1	0	4	.750
Ratcliffe, (R.E.)	6	1	4	3	0	8	.625

Centre Fielders

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Hussain, A. J. (H.B.)	4	16	0	0	0	16	1.000
Fittinghoff, D. (H.K.B.C.)	6	3	2	0	1	5	1.000
Loong, T. H. (C. Hwa)	9	18	3	1	1	22	.955
Chan, M. (C. Hwa)	2	19	2	3	1	24	.875
Wilson, E. V. (Min.)	9	4	1	2	0	7	.714
Gray, (R.E.)	6	5	4	5	0	14	.643
Lo, D. (S.C.)	8	5	3	5	0	13	.615
Morley, (Ash.)	1	0	0	0	0	0	

SOFTBALL PROBLEM

Owing to the large number of teams in the Second and Third Divisions of Hong Kong Football League and the fact that a large number of games will be played on Sundays, Softball Association are expected to experience considerable difficulty in obtaining grounds for the fixtures.

Kowloon Football Club ground, where the major games will be played, is only free on a limited number of Sunday afternoons, while the Chatham Road and Prince Edward Road grounds will be required for soccer on most afternoons.

The only solution for Softball appears to have all games played on Sunday mornings.

GRANDPA LEUNG'S NINE
TO MEET U.S. NAVY TO-DAY

By "Grandstand"

The U.S. Navy—Hong Kong All-Stars Charity series, which was prolonged by the sailors' last-inning victory last week, will come to a conclusion this week. With the Hong Kong team leading the series 2-1, an All-Stars victory this afternoon will give them the series, but if the blue-jackets come out with the long end of the count to deadlock, the score, the series will be decided on a play-off to-morrow.

Grandpa Leung's All-Chinese contingent, which dished out a brilliant brand of ball last week to annex the International trophy, has been selected to represent the All-Stars.

Wally "Dimples" Ching will probably start for the All-Hong Kong squad with Bill Chang at the receiving end. Infielders will be Hank Chan, Pete Choy, Nip Lum and Al Lau, whilst gardeners will be Hank Ali, "Morocco" Chan and Dick Chung.

Mentor Lou Pawloski will probably toe the rubber himself for this crucial game, with Tony Mascavage at the business end of the battery, whilst the infield quartette will be McKenzie at first-base, "Greasy" Moore at second, Henry "Crone" Ruel guarding the short-stop gap and Bowersox holding the Hot Corner. Outfielders will be Earl Wilson, Gronckel and Kennard.

BASKETBALL OFF

No matches in the Open Basketball League will be played at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. to-night, while last night's game were also postponed, due to the Manning Exercise.

DID YOU KNOW?

A U.S. major League ball player pays his own expenses while at home. The club pays them when on the road.

Disciples of Walton seeking the pugnacious tarpon in Florida waters are spurred on by \$3,000 in cash prizes, plus medals, for the champion tarpon fishermen of the season.

Right Fielders

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Brooks, (Ash.)	2	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Sham, (C. Hwa)	7	4	1	1	0	6	.833
Abbas, R.A. (H.B.)	5	7	0	2	0	9	.777
Gronckel, (Min.)	6	2	1	1	0	4	.750
Elder, P. (H.K.B.C.)	7	2	0	1	0	3	.750
Chung, W. C. (S.C.)	4	2	0	1	0	3	.750
Cork, (R.E.)	7	3	0	2	0	5	.600

Utilities

	G	PO	A	E	DP	TC	Pctg
Baker, (H.B.)	1	1	0	0	0	1	1.000
Fisher, J. (H.K.B.C.)	2	0	1	0	0	1	1.000
Gosano, G. (H.B.)	3	3	5	0	0	8	1.000
Grant, (R.E.)	1	0	1	0	0	1	1.000
Heather, E. (H.K.B.C.)	1	0	1	0	0	1	1.000
Kwok, K. S. (C. Hwa)	1	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Kwan, W. T. (S.C.)	3	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Leight, L. (H.K.B.C.)	1	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Lo, K. K. (C. Hwa)	6	2	0	0	0	2	1.000
Rogers, (Min.)	3	2	2	0	0	4	1.000
Smith, W. A. (H.K.B.C.)	2	0	2	0	0	2	1.000
Sperry, M. (H.K.B.C.)	1	3	0	0	0	3	1.000
Vaughn, (Min.)	3	2	0	0	0	2	1.000
Oliver, G. (H.K.B.C.)	8	10	4	1	1	15	.933
Leung, F. C. (C. Hwa)	6	34	0	3	1	37	.919
Waggoner, C. (H.K.B.C.)	8	19	11	3	1	33	.909
Goff, D. (Ash.)	1	5	1	1	0	8	.875
Carvalho, (H.K.B.C.)	2	10	0	2	0	12	.867
Pang, S. K. (S.C.)	3	5	0	1	0	6	.833
Ching, W. (C. Hwa)	6	6	20	7	0	33	.788
Chinn, H. (S.C.)	4	2	0	1	0	3	.750
Morris, J. (H.K.B.C.)	1	6	1	3	0	10	.700
Lim, V. (S.C.)	1	2	0	1	0	3	.667
Wong, I. C. (S.C.)	1	2	2	2	0	6	.667
Wong, M. (H.K.B.C.)	2	4	0	2	2	6	.667
Davis, (R.E.)	1	0	1	1	0	2	.500
Fitch, P. (H.K.B.C.)	1	0	2	2	1	4	.500
Jones, (R.E.)	3	2	2	6	0	10	.400
Kennard, (Min.)	7	1	0	2	0	3	.333
Bowen, J. (H.B.)	3	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Chinn, B. (C. Hwa)	2	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Daniels, G. (Min.)	3	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Gough, (R.E.)	1	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Harpor, (R.E.)	5	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Kramor, (Ash.)	1	0	0	2	0	2	.000
Marques, E. M. (H.K.B.C.)	1	0	0	2	0	2	.000
Pau, M. P. (S.C.)	2	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Smith, B. (H.K.B.C.)	2	0	0	2	0	2	.000
Veils, (R.E.)	1	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Sliva, T. (H.K.B.C.)	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Walker, D. (H.K.B.C.)	1	0	0	0	0	0	

CRICKET INTEREST REPORTED LAGGING AT INDIAN R.C.

By "Incog."

INTEREST IN CRICKET AT INDIAN RECREATION CLUB APPEARS TO HAVE FLAGGED VERY CONSIDERABLY, AND UNLESS SOME OF THE OLDER MEMBERS CAN BE PERSUADED TO SET AN EXAMPLE IN REGARD TO SPENDING MORE TIME AT THE NETS, IT IS TO BE FEARED THAT THIS CLUB WILL BE IN FOR ANOTHER LEAN YEAR.

A thousand pities, for time was when I.R.C. was regarded as one of the leading cricket clubs in the Colony. Not only had they results to show for it, but they were always invariably the first to get down to matches and nets, for when other clubs were not quite ready for games they were already playing amongst themselves at Sookunpoo.

V.R.C. POOL NOW OPEN TO CONTENDERS

Victoria Recreation Club announce that entrants for the Colony Swimming Championships will be allowed to use the V.R.C. pool for training between the hours of 1.30 and 5 p.m. and 8 to 9 p.m. daily, Sundays excepted, from to-day.

Should these times prove unsuitable for any particular club, representatives are invited to communicate with the Hon. Secretary, V.R.C., who will endeavour to make other arrangements.

Officials for the Championships, which will be held on September 25 and 27, and October 2 and 4, are:

President: H.E. The Governor.
Chairman: His Honour, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Kt., K.C.
Vice-Chairman: D. Lyon, Esq.
Referee: G. Agabeg, Esq.
Judges—Swimming Events: K. I. Ip, Esq., Chan Shek Pul, Esq., and L. M. Remedios, Esq.
Judges—Turns: H. Wing Lee, Esq., and J. D. Remedios, Esq.
Judges—Diving Events: K. I. Ip, Esq., Alfred Ho Siew Um, Esq., L. M. Remedios, Esq., G. Agabeg, Esq., and A. A. Guterres, Esq.
Scorers: A. T. Lee, Esq., A. A. Noronha, Esq., and C. M. Xavier, Esq.
Starter: L. A. Soares, Esq.
Time-keepers: A. Ho Siew Um, Esq., S. H. Wong, Esq., A. A. Guterres, Esq., Woo Cho Kin, Esq., Lo G. Hin, Esq., C. M. Xavier, Esq., O. el Arculli, Esq., and L. A. Soares, Esq.
Announcer: M. A. de Souza, Esq.
Competitors' Stewards: A. J. Hussain, Esq., and E. M. Marques, Esq.

TO-DAY'S AQUATICS

Chung Shing Benevolent Society will hold their second swimming gala of the season this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock sharp.

Following is the programme:—Men's 200 Metres free-style, Ladies' 75 Metres Medley Race, Junior Training Class 100 Metres free-style, Children's 50 Metres free-style, Men's 200 Metres breast-stroke, Ladies' 200 Metres breast-stroke, Ladies' 50 Metres Relay Race.

SARAZEN SEEKS CLUB

Gene Sarazen, noted golfer, opened negotiations recently to lease or purchase an interest in this one-time exclusive Midwick Country Club, previously acquired at public auction by Dominic Jebbia, millionaire banana importer.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL

Two friendly football games will be played at Boundary Street to-day, between the junior and senior teams of Police and Kwong Wah.

The junior game will start at 4.15 p.m. and will be followed by the senior game.

OWEN TUDOR FANCIED

Much interest is being focussed in the running of the St. Leger this afternoon at Manchester, and, according to the latest cabled advices received from London, favourite for the last of the season's Classics is Owen Tudor, the Derby winner.

One notable absentee from this year's race, the first since the war, is Gordon Richards, who is still nursing a broken leg, sustained in an accident in Salisbury. It was this broken leg that prevented Richards from winning the one Turf honour that has eluded him for 20 years, for he was to have ridden Owen Tudor, winner of the Blue Riband.

The final call-over for the St. Leger resulted as follows:

Owen Tudor (Nevett), 9 to 2 o, 5 to 1 t.
Chateau la Rose (Jones), 13 to 2 t and o.
Mazarin (Bartlam), 13 to 2 t and o.
Sun Castle (Bridgland), 9 to 1 t and o.
Devonlan (Perryman), 10 to 1 t and o.
Royalist (Lowrey), 10 to 1 t and o.
Bakhtawar (H. Wragg), 100 to 7, t and o.
Lambert Simmel, 100 to 7 t and o.
Ptolemy (H. Smith), 100 to 6 o.
Starwort (Taylor), 20 to 1 o, 25 to 1 t.
Folous (Carey), 22 to 1 o.
Orthodox (D. Smith), 25 to 1 o, 33 to 1 t.
Firozedin (Stephenson), 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.
Dancing Time (Beary), 33 to 1 o.
Royal Academy (Gardner), 100 to 1 o.
Ranger (Mullings), 100 to 1 o.
Fettes has been scratched.
Chateau la Rose is tipped to win with Suncastle and Lambert Simmel placed.—Reuter.

CHESS WINNERS

The Committee of Kowloon Chess Club met on Thursday evening at the Peninsula Hotel, when it was decided to close the various chess tournaments that had been conducted at the club during the year.

The following were named winners of these tournaments:

Colony Championship: L. Karpovich, winner; C. M. Sequeira, runner-up.

Colony Junior Championship: To Yu-lau, winner; A. Y. Biriukoff, runner-up.

Club Championship: C. M. Sequeira and D. E. de Carvalho, joint winners.

Club Junior Championship: A. C. Poupart, winner; A. Benjamin, runner-up.

The annual meeting of the Club will be held at the Peninsula Hotel, on Thursday, September 25.

CIVIL SERVANTS' GALA TO-DAY

Hong Kong Chinese Civil Servants' Club will hold their second swimming gala of the season at North Point to-day, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The prizes have been donated by Mr. Kwok Hee-leung, and the full programme is as follows:—Men's 50 Metres back-stroke, Men's 100 Metres free-style, Men's 200 Metres breast-stroke, Women's 50 Metres breast-stroke, Children's 50 Metres breast-stroke, Beginners' 25 Metres free-style, Members' 100 Metres Relay, Inter-department 150 Metres Medley Relay, Obstacle Swimming (50 Metres), Water-Polo.

CHIE BREAKS SHANGHAI RECORD FOR 880 YARDS

AT THE ROWING CLUB, SHANGHAI, LAST SATURDAY NIGHT T. S. CHIE BROKE THE SHANGHAI RECORD FOR THE 880

YARDS FREE-STYLE SWIMMING EVENT BY OVER 11 SECONDS, HIS TIME BEING 11 MINS. 54 3/5 SECS. AS COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS BEST OF 12 MINS. 5 3/5 SECS., SET UP BY DON SMITH IN 1936.

Chie's performance was all the more remarkable in that there was only one other swimmer in the pool, two competitors having withdrawn.

The other three championship events produced neither upsets nor any startling performance, the results being:—

Men's 880 Yards free-style:—1. T. S. Chie, 2. G. Stephen. Time: 11 mins. 54 3/5 secs. (New Record) Previous Record 12 mins. 5 3/5 secs.
Men's 100 Yards free-style:—1. R. Hekking, 2. R. Leoni. Time: 59 4/5 secs. Shanghai Record: 57 1/5 secs.
Men's 100 Yards back-stroke:—1. E. Smith, 2. V. Mattiuk. Time: 70 4/5 secs. Shanghai Record: 65 4/5 secs.
Juniors 100 Yards free-style:—1. C. Butt, 2. J. Hyatt. Time: 61 1/5 secs. Shanghai Record: 59 1/5 secs.

Five More Events

To-night

Five Shanghai Swimming Championships will be decided at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. (Shanghai) Gala to be held to-night, the complete list of events and entries being:—

Men's 50 Yards Free-style
P. Volgoff, I. Grebenshikoff, A. Griffiths, V. Mattiuk, R. Leoni, H. Bal-lerand, C. L. Wen and R. Hekking
Ladies' 50 Yards Free-style
Misses D. Gray, L. Hekking, R. Riege, B. Umpleby, J. B. Peach and Ling Mel-ling.

Men's 150 Yards Medley
O. Grebenshikoff, R. Leoni, H. Bal-lerand, W. Ward, C. C. Wang, A. R. Ross, A. J. Dodd, G. Gregg, E. Smith and A. Griffiths.

Men's Diving
A. Griffiths, W. Ward, A. Z. Waung, J. Konig, T. C. Shan, C. M. H. Ozorio Jr., and A. Fettesoff.

Ladies' Diving
Misses L. Hekking, L. Benghalt and L. Benjamin.

Jimmy Dykes, manager of Chicago White Sox, has signed a new three-year contract.

SHANGHAI TENNIS TITLES

V. T. Wang, runner-up last year and hot favourite for the title this year, entered the semi-finals of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association Senior Singles Championship during the week when he beat C. C. Squires by 6-2, 6-3 and 8-7.

This is the only third round match to be played to date, the other quarter-finalists being Humberto Collaco, T. C. Chang, Kho Sin-oc, Harry K. F. Li, E. T. Indricksen and the winner of the match between S. T. Wong and the winner of the H. U. Hirschberg v H. P. Madar match—N.C.D.N.

TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Owing to Volunteer exercises, only two League Lawn Bowls matches will be played, one in First Division, between the new champions, Craigengower C.C. and Indian R.C. at Sookunpoo, and one in Third Division, between Police R.C. and Craigengower on the latter's green.

Craigengower, having won the senior title, having nothing to lose, but they will have to be at their best to win to-day, as Indians are hard to beat at home.

Police are a better all-round team than Craigengower and should be able to secure aggregate points, though Craigengower are capable of upsetting them.

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MACAO WATER- POLO PLAYERS VISIT COLONY

Two of the leading water-polo teams from Macao will be visiting the Colony to-morrow and will be playing against the Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union at the latter's sixth swimming gala of the season, at Laichikok pavilion, commencing at 12 noon.

The programme for the gala is as follows:—Men's 50 Metres free-style, Ladies' 100 Metres free-style, Mixed 50 Metres free-style Handicap (Training Class), Boys' 100 Metres breast-stroke Handicap, Mixed 200 Metres free-style Relay, Men's 50 Metres Obstacle Race, Men's 400 Metres free-style, Water-Polo matches.

NAZIS PLANNING NEW ATTACK

Bulgarian Part In Drive On Caucasus

RED RAIDERS LAND IN GERMAN REAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The "Daily Express" reports that light units of the Soviet Arctic Fleet have landed more than 1,000 men behind the German lines in the Petsamo area where they destroyed fuel, food and ammunition depots and a meteorological station.

The Russian landing party is reported to be now engaged with the Germans. — International News Service.

COTTON FIRE IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Timely efforts by the Shanghai Fire Brigade prevented the destruction of \$1,500,000 worth of Japanese-owned cotton stored in the godowns of the Central China Cotton Association in Shanghai.

Although the godowns are in Chapel, Chinese territory, the Municipal fire brigades turned out and did brilliant work in stopping the conflagration without serious loss. — International News Service.

Desperate German Attempt

AN INTERVIEW WHICH ADMIRAL RAEDER, GERMANY'S NAVY CHIEF, HAS HAD WITH KING BORIS OF BULGARIA IS REGARDED IN ANKARA AS HERALDING NEW JOINT ACTION AGAINST RUSSIA BY GERMANY AND BULGARIA.

Well-informed circles in the Turkish capital believe the Nazis and Bulgars may try land, sea and air action against besieged Odessa or the Crimea.

The fact that large numbers of German troops have been arriving in Bulgaria, coupled with the concentration of shipping at the Black Sea ports of Varna and Burgas, lends support to this belief.

Any landing from the Black Sea in a conjunctive land offensive might threaten Marshal Budenny's Ukraine army with a pincer movement which, if successful, would open a way to the Caucasus and the Baku oilfields.

Desperate Attempt

To succeed, however, Hitler will first have to gain air supremacy over Odessa or the Crimea and overcome the Red Black Sea

Fleet, which is vastly superior to any naval forces which Germany and Bulgaria could raise between them.

Moreover, the Crimea and Odessa both have very formidable shore defences which would have to be reduced before a landing could be effected.

NEVERTHELESS MANY PEOPLE IN ANKARA BELIEVE HITLER MAY LAUNCH AN ATTACK ON THE LINES INDICATED IN A DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO REACH THE OIL-BEARING CAUCASUS BEFORE WINTER SETS IN.—REUTER.

CHUNGKING STUDENTS AGITATE

AS A DISCIPLINARY MEASURE TO CHECKMATE STUDENT AGITATION AGAINST MR. LIANG YIN-WEN, THE NEW PRESIDENT, THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HAS ISSUED AN EMERGENCY ORDER TEMPORARILY CLOSING THE PROVINCIAL CHUNGKING UNIVERSITY.

This is the first time since the outbreak of war that the authorities have been compelled to take drastic measures to control undisciplined student interference in educational administration.

The trouble started in the third week of August when certain sections of the student body launched a movement in opposition to the appointment of Mr. Liang Yin-wen to succeed Dr. Yeh Yuan-lung as President of the university.—Central News.

DR. QUO'S REPORT

A detailed report on the current international situation and China's diplomatic activities was made by Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, before the resident committee of the People's Political Council yesterday.

Various interpellations were made by the representatives at the meeting, to which Dr. Quo answered. It is not known, however, what specific questions were discussed.—Central News.

BOMBS DROPPED IN SCOTLAND

"Bombs were dropped by a single enemy aircraft at a place in north-east Scotland yesterday morning causing some damage and a small number of casualties," states an Air Ministry communique, quoted by Reuter from London.

H.K. APPOINTMENTS

Mr. O. R. Lee to act as Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor.
Mr. G. T. Rowe to act as Assistant Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor.
Mr. K. C. Morrison to be Controller of Trade.
Gunner H. G. Muir to be 2nd Lieut. in the H.K.V.D.C.

STOP PRESS

Miss Helen Jacobs reached the semi-finals of the Women's Singles in the American Lawn Tennis Championships at Forest Hills yesterday when she beat Miss D. Bundy 6-3, 11-9.

The Swedish player Carl Schroeder beat the diminutive "Bitsy" Grant 6-8, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3 to reach the Men's Semi-Finals.—Reuter.

Officers and crew of the United States destroyer Greer expressed the belief that they at least damaged the submarine or possibly sank her.

British aircraft in the vicinity are stated to have cooperated in reconnaissance.

The Greer dropped many depth charges in an attempt to get her attacker.—Reuter.

THERE IS A STRONG IMPRESSION IN MOSCOW, SAYS REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN THE SOVIET CAPITAL, THAT EVENTS ARE TAKING A MORE FAVOURABLE TURN.

Instruments aboard the United States destroyer "Greer" showed that she was over the submarine which attacked her when she dropped her depth charges, according to a despatch from Reykjavik, capital of Iceland.

The despatch describes the incident as a "German attack."—Reuter.

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